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Students adjust slowly to new alcohol policy

By Basem Aly '95
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The new alcohol policy is one semester old and raising a lot of questions throughout the campus community. Even though the Health Center reports an increase in the amount of alcohol related cases last semester, the Administration urges patience.

Associate Dean of Students Nancy Thompson said the new alcohol policy is "still very much in transition."

"You just need to give it time," said CAPE chair Cherryl Premdass '94. "I don't think that people are giving it enough time."

According to Thompson, the policy has been successful in reducing the number of parties in residence halls. "One of the things we wanted to do was reduce the number of large events in the residence halls. There have been fewer cases of that this year than last," she said. "I'm talking specifically about large parties where security had to be called. . . definitely fewer parties were security had to intervene."

Thompson added, "Some students who disagreed with the change that was made in the policy are willing to admit that the environment in residence halls is different from last year and better."

In spite of Thompson's optimism, Health Center Medical Director Andrea Brand, M.D., reported that "the number of alcohol related visits this year as opposed to previous years has increased three-fold." Thompson was unavailable for a response.

Premdass blamed the rise in alcohol-related cases on students rebelling against the new policy. "People rebel against any new policy no matter what the policy is," she said. "The increase in alcohol-related problems could be from people rebelling against this policy by drinking irresponsibly."

"The solution to alcohol related

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Former attorney general Edwin Meese III answers a question on gays in the military while former ACLU president Nadine Strossen listens in a press conference yesterday. PHOTO BY MATT DAVIDSON

Meese and Strossen square off on controversial censorship issue

By Gabe Meyer '96
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The long-awaited debate on the subject of the future of censorship in America between former attorney general Edwin Meese III and former American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) president Nadine Strossen took place in front of a packed audience in Wellin Hall Thursday. The debate had been previously scheduled for December but was cancelled when both Meese's and Strossen's flights were unable to land in Syracuse due to inclement weather.

Meese, who was attorney general during the Reagan administration, is currently a distinguished fellow at the Heritage Foundation and the Hoover Institution in Washington. Strossen is a constitutional law professor at the the New York University Law school.

There was no clear winner in the debate itself, which began shortly after 8:30. Many of the arguments were based upon statistics given by different sources and both speakers agreed upon a surprising number of points.

In her opening statement, Strossen noted that there are a few limited circumstances when the ACLU believes speech should be restricted. In particular, if the speech could cause imminent harm to individuals, there would be grounds for a legal restriction.

She spoke of a case in Skokie, Illinois more than a decade ago, when

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RAs report a trend of first-year blues

By Dayna Bandman '93
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Editors' Note: many quotes are unattributed due to the sensitive nature of the issue.

This year, Resident Advisors (RAs) have indicated that many of their advisees, especially first-years, are unhappy with the social life at Hamilton.

Hamilton: Coming and Going
Last in a Series

Kyle Velte '93, who has been a RA for the past two years, said she has been hearing more complaints about Hamilton this year than she did last year.

Another RA suggested that first-year students are experiencing "general frustration because it is difficult to meet people on campus."

Another commented that there is "an overall unhappiness on campus because there is nothing to do."

One first-year said she feels isolated from the social scene at Hamilton because "the only thing to do is go to fraternity parties, which are elitist because you have to be invited."

Another first-year said he felt alcohol predominated the social life on campus. " If there is an activity that does not involve alcohol, hardly anyone will show up," he said. "Everyone complains about having nothing to do but when other options are offered no one goes."

Some students mentioned the new alcohol policy as a hindrance to social gatherings. One first-year said, "All the upperclassmen are always saying that is was so much more fun here before the administration started getting strict about alco-

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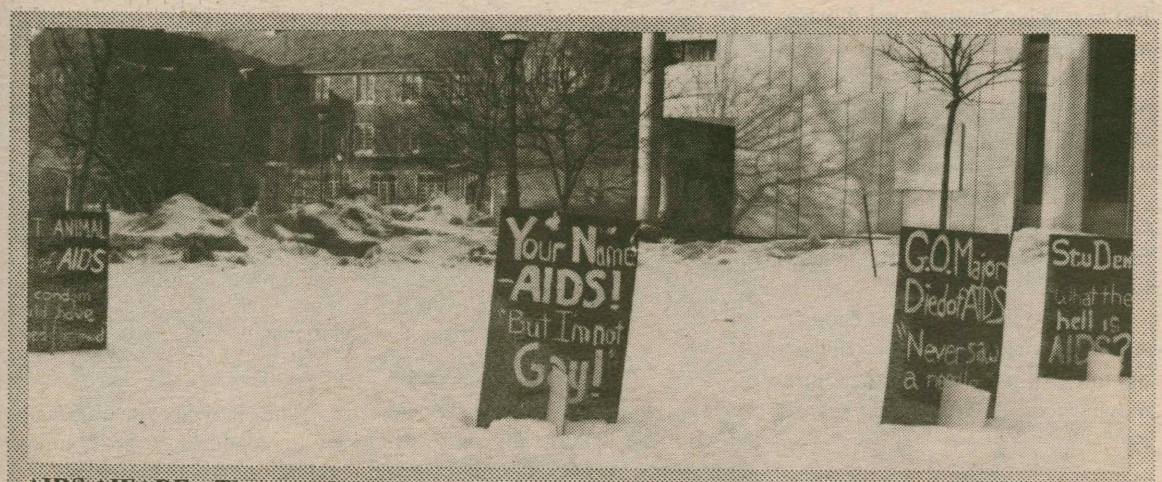

AIDS AWARE—These mock gravestones placed on the quad outside Burke Library are part of AIDS Awareness Week. Please turn to page 2 for a story on the events of the week.
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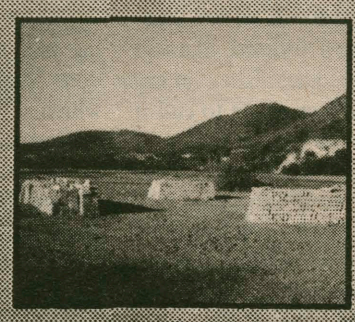

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In Sports:

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AIDS victim Lorrie appeals to students on Tuesday to become aware of the threats of the AIDS virus they may face.
PHOTO BY MATT DAVIDSON

Condoms and red ribbons symbolize AIDS education

By Laura Phillips '94
NEWS EDITOR

Since Monday, several signs, including the wearing of red ribbons, have illustrated AIDS Awareness Week.

Wearing a red ribbon is a reminder of the growing numbers suffering from AIDS. The gesture announces a commitment to the fight against AIDS. The red ribbon symbolizes support of people with AIDS as well as of the education and research needed to discover medications and a cure for AIDS.

•Monday afternoon, Peer Advisors conducted a workshop titled, "Safer Sex: Talking with Your Partner."

Although the event was poorly attended, Peer Advisor Dayna Bandman '93 said the general consensus was that the workshop was effective.

"It's a workshop that we're putting together for Peer Advising," said Bandman. "The original plan had nothing to do with AIDS Awareness Week but it tied in, so we just used it."

According to Bandman, Peer Advisors plan to bring the workshop to the dorms and societies. "A lot of R.A.s have asked us to bring it to the dorms," she said.

Bandman said those who are interested in booking the workshop in a residence hall, society or for another event, should contact Mark Thompson in the Counseling Center.

•On Wednesday afternoon, 38-year-old Lorrie, an Oneida County woman with the AIDS virus, told her story to a packed Red Pit.

"In our culture today it takes great courage to come out and speak about having AIDS," said Chaplain Janna Roche.

Shortly after making plans to marry the man of her dreams, Lorrie found out she was pregnant. The child would be her second—she had a son from a previous long-term relationship with a man to whom she had been engaged—and his first.

Lorrie and her fiance were very excited, she said.

When Lorrie was nine months pregnant, her fiance became ill and was diagnosed with AIDS.

He contracted AIDS from intravenous drug use. Lorrie knew he had a history of cocaine use—he had gone through a rehabilitation program—but she had assumed he snorted coke, rather than injected it. She did not even know coke could be taken through a needle.

"That's how naive I was," she said. "My thought was that it's primarily a gay disease and, if you don't lead a promiscuous lifestyle, you won't get it."

Lorrie has had three long-term sexual relationships during her life. Each has been between five and ten years long. Lorrie was not promiscuous.

Lorrie knew she needed to be tested for AIDS.

An AIDS test is essentially a blood test. When the nurse takes the blood, it is labelled with an eight-digit number, rather than the patient's name, for identification. Results are available in four to six weeks.

In Lorrie's case, however, the process was sped up because of her pregnancy.

Two weeks after the test Lorrie went, in person, to find out the results—they are not available over the telephone.

"I took one look at [the nurse's] face and I knew," Lorrie said.

During the next year her fiance's health declined dramatically. Lorrie said the hardest part of the situation—both she and her fiance being HIV positive with a baby on the way—was watching her fiance deteriorate.

Her fiance passed away two years ago. Her son is now five. And the baby, a girl who is now three years old, was born HIV positive.

Lorrie did not panic, however, because babies are born with their mothers' antibodies. It could take anywhere from six months to two years for Lorrie's antibodies to leave her daughter's body. Once this happened, the baby would begin producing her own antibodies.

By the time she was six months old, Lorrie's daughter had turned HIV negative.

"I feel the need to educate people because of how naive I was," said Lorrie. "A lot of the school systems won't let me come in to talk to the high school kids."

Lorrie said this is frustrating because she knows students are sexually active and are having unprotected sex. And some of them may have as little knowledge as she did before she contracted AIDS.

She has been on Utica and Syracuse new programs and speaks to various groups of people. At first, Lorrie used a false name and had her face blackened on screen and in photographs.

This was partly because she was afraid of being thought of as a prostitute or a drug abuser and partly because it took her a while to tell her family she had AIDS. She did not want her family to learn of her condition from the media.

Now, though, said Lorrie, people like Magic Johnson and Arthur Ashe, who died of AIDS-related pneumonia this week, have provided her with the strength to use her own identity when she makes public appearances.

Also, said Lorrie, it is becoming more and more evident that AIDS is just as much a heterosexual disease as it is a gay disease.

In addition to her television and other public appearances, Lorrie also started a support group for women with AIDS.

"Unfortunately, we're having a hard time getting women to come forward and come to the group," said Lorrie.

Lorrie said there is not enough AIDS information being broadcast on television. "Things are just moving too slowly. . . that scares me."

Kids help positive attitude

Lorrie said she is very thankful for her two children. "The kids have been a tremendous help to me because they keep me busy."

Being busy, Lorrie said she does not have time to dwell on her situation and become depressed. She said people have asked her if she ever has days when she just wants to call it quits and throw in the towel.

"If anything, I feel life is more precious than ever," she said. "I don't feel sorry for myself. I realize there are a lot of people who are worse off than myself."

Lorrie does not deny she has AIDS. She has already made arrangements for her children following her death.

"My life, my priorities have changed," she said. She said she eats well, gets plenty of sleep, doesn't smoke—she never has—and she does not consume alcohol.

Recently, Lorrie has begun looking into herbal medicine and meditation. She is currently taking DDI which slows the virus. It also gives her insomnia.

For two years she took AZT during which time she became anemic and was always exhausted before her day even started. The DDI is not as harsh on her blood.

"The everyday person has been very sympathetic, overwhelmingly good to me," said Lorrie.

The medical profession is the only place Lorrie has run into prejudice. Lorrie said that when she was pregnant with her daughter, her obstetrician asked her, "So, how'd you get yourself into this mess?"

One doctor told Lorrie not to spend time with her fiance and not to kiss her son.

"It's amazing how limited [doctors'] knowledge is at times," said Lorrie.

When she invited the neighbors to her daughter's birthday party, she

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News from other Ivory Towers

—Compiled by Zahid Siddique '95

FCC levies penalty against student radio station

(NSNS)—The Federal Communications Commission fined a State University of New York student radio station a record-breaking $23,750 for playing indecent music during afternoon hours.

In January, FCC officials notified station managers at WSUC (SUNY-Cortland) that they were being fined for illegally broadcasting a song by rap artist Kid Rock entitled "Yodelling in the Jungle," a euphemism for oral sex.

FCC attorney Marcia Diamond said it is the first case in which a non-commercial radio station has been fined for indecency.

Wisconsin students meet for cultural unity

(NSNS)—University of Wisconsin students will hold their first-ever "Building Unity" conference this weekend at the UW-Milwaukee campus in an effort to build access and understanding for the variety of cultures and communities that share the university system.

The conference is intended to bring together students from minority, disabled and non-traditional backgrounds. Conference planners hope the event will allow the participants to become more familiar with the other groups, as well as develop communication and organizational skills.

Amherst student takes own life

Alicia Chou '93 a student of Amherst College died while she was at home for Winter Break, *The Amherst Student* reported. The death ensued as a result of suicide, according to the Office of the Houston Medical Examiner. She was 22.

Chou was an English major and a pre-medical student, and was in the process of applying to medical schools. Outside of the classroom, Chou was on the college's equestrian team and also wrote articles for *The Student*.

Colgate hires Hamilton prof

Colgate University obtained the services of Frank F. Taylor, currently a Hamilton College professor, to teach an introductory course for the Africana Studies concentration, *The Colgate Maroon-News* reported.

Taylor holds a doctorate in International Relations from the University of Geneva, Switzerland. He earned his masters degree in History from the University of West Indies, where he also taught for thirteen years as a senior lecturer.

According to *The Colgate Maroon-News*, Pr. Taylor will teach simultaneously at Colgate and at Hamilton this semester.

University of Dayton requires sophomores to live in dorms

(NSNS)—Declining enrollments and expensive building renovations forced the University of Dayton to find new ways to make money, so the campus' Office of Student Development decided to reel in sophomores and change the university housing policy to require them to live on campus.

"To continue to provide the kind of quality the residents like, we have to change our policy," said William Schuerman, Dean of Students and Vice President of student development.

The decision was made so unoccupied rooms in the dorms could be used to boost the university's financial position.

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Despite complaints, transfer numbers remain consistent

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hol. Now, if you don't have I.D. or an invite to a fraternity party, your social life is kind of restricted."

Hunter Chamberlain '95 said he felt it was "definitely easier" to meet people last year than it is this year. He commented, "Last year there were more dorm parties and dorm unity because we were allowed to have kegs."

Another upperclass student said, "I've seen the social life go downhill since I've been here."

Not all agree that alcohol is the key to social life. Maryellen Stanton '94 said, "The way I met my close friends was through classes and extracurricular activities. In the long run, I don't think parties make a huge difference." She said that the college is good at providing alternative activities on Friday and Saturday nights.

Other students have said that it is the responsibility of the student body to initiate events on campus.

Last semester a group of RAs and students met with trustee Susan Annick to discuss the quality of Hamilton's residential life. The meeting, one in a series of such investigations, did not address the issue of student unhappiness.

However, according to Connie Douglas '93, who attended the meeting, "Susan Annick remarked that the campus seemed unhappy." The committee will most likely place "the social scene" high on the agenda for future meetings.

Chair of the Student Activities Board Sarah Gee '94, said she thinks the social scene is a major concern of students who transfer from Hamilton. She said, "It's not so much the alcohol policy but the social situation in general—perhaps in light of the alcohol policy."

Despite the general atmosphere of discontent and contrary to rumors, the number of students transferring out of Hamilton has not increased. The records show that an average of six students per year have transferred over the past ten years. This year, six students have left.

Director of Residential Life Rebecca Reed said she did not think the effects of the alcohol policy were prompting students to leave. She said, "The policy does have an effect on people's social lives, but the atmosphere here, especially in the residence halls, has changed for the better."

She said that RAs may over-rate the number of complaints. She said, "the new RAs were never in the position to receive the complaints before, so suddenly it seems like a lot coming in at once."

Assistant Dean of Students Lewis Burkley speaks with most students before they transfer out of Hamilton. He said there are many reasons why students leave, including social, academic and financial stress.

One woman who is considering leaving Hamilton said, "My roommate and I are both thinking about transferring, but for different reasons. I want to go someplace bigger that has a better social scene. I'm just not interested in fraternities and the down town here isn't great. But my roommate really likes the small community feeling—she just isn't getting enough financial aid."

A recent article in Colgate University's newspaper, *The Maroon News*, provides a bright spot in this gloomy topic. According to the article, all but one of the students leaving cited the social climate as their primary concern. The article says that "many students who decide to transfer, as well as a large number who ultimately do not, cite the lack of social alternatives as their most serious discontentment."

Play portrays black men

At 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17 "The Living Dream," a four-person ensemble of black actors, will present James Chapman's off-broadway play, "Our Young Black Men are Dying and Nobody Seems to Care." The performance is part of the 1993 African-American Awareness Celebration at Hamilton.

"Our Young Black Men" has been critically acclaimed as "the most provocative play in America." It is a portrayal of various black men and their life-long struggles as members of disadvantaged communities. There will be a discussion following the exposition.

Tickets can be reserved by calling either the Hamilton Office of Multicultural Affairs at 859-4021 or the Bristol Campus Center at 859-4194. Tickets are $5 in advance and $8 at the door. For Hamilton students, tickets are $2 in advance and $3 at the door.

Weekend Weather

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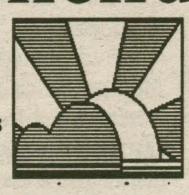

Sunday:
Cloudy, with increasing chance of snow.
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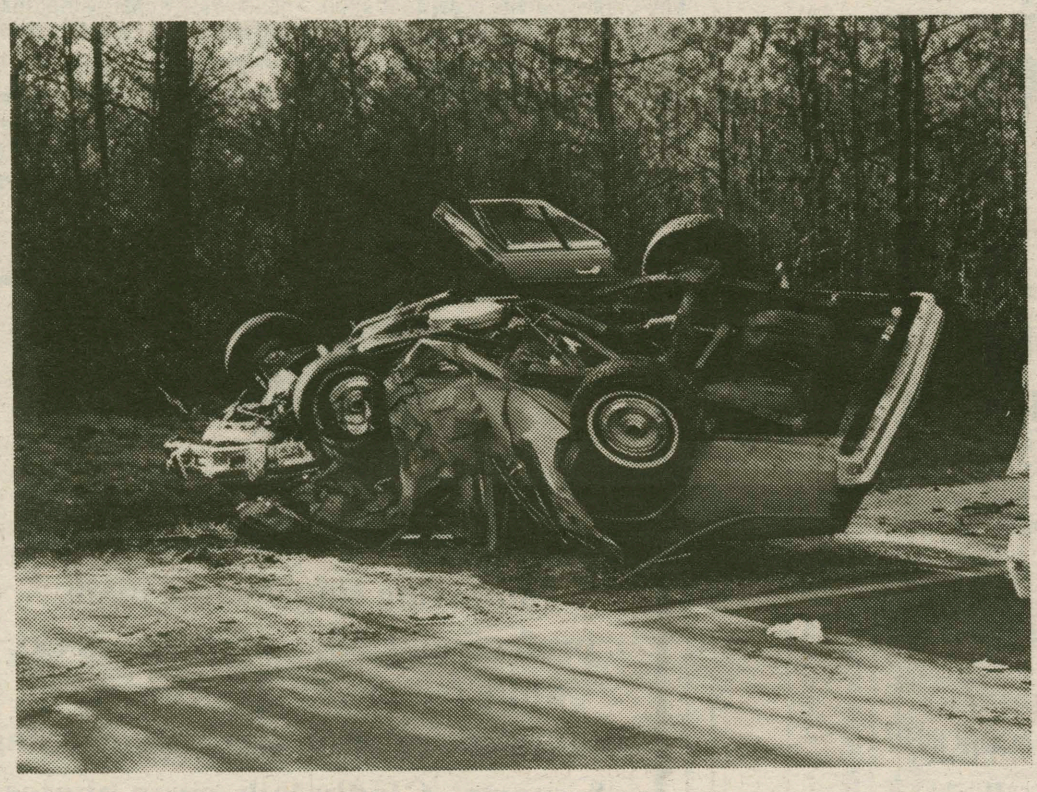


Ever Get Somebody Totally Wasted?

News Briefs

Classes of '94 and '95 elect reps

Last Wednesday, the junior class elected three new representatives and the sophomore class elected a president and a treasurer as well as two new representatives.

The three new class of '94 representatives are: Jeanne Bergman, Trevor Nardini and Jen Tsuha.

The class of '95 chose Tracee Plowell to be their president and Matt Ziccardi as their treasurer. The two new representatives are Jennifer Johnson and John Reilly.

Next Wednesday, February 17, students can vote—outside the mail center—on faculty-approved revisions of the Honor Code.

Adler to focus on life after student village construction

This year's Alder Conference, to be held on March 6, aims to highlight change at Hamilton. The topic of the day will be: "What do you think the Beinecke Village and other construction projects will mean for student life in the Hamilton community?"

Lorene deBeaumont '93 and Mark Molloy '93 are the Alder Conference 1993 co-chairpersons.

The conference will open with a speech by President Payne. "He will tell us what he thinks Hamilton will be like in the next five years," said deBeaumont.

According to deBeaumont, a letter recently went out to Walter Beinecke inviting him to attend the conference and present a speech on his expectations for the new village.

Twenty students have already been selected to serve as group facilitators for the conference. In the past, groups have been facilitated by either a two-student team or a student-faculty member pair.

Those who wish to attend the conference may either register outside the mail center and in the dining halls during the week prior to the conference or register at the Dean of Students office any time before the conference.

Aidoo to read from her novel

Visiting English professor Ama Ata Aidoo will read from her novel, "Changes," on Tuesday, February 16 at 4:15 p.m. in Dwight Lounge in Bristol Campus Center.

Recently, Aidoo won the 1992 Commonwealth Prize of the Africa Region for the novel. She is the 1992 United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)/International PEN Women's Committee Travel fellow. The writer, storyteller and poet has written nine books.

The Women's Studies Program, Africana Studies, Office of Multicultural Affairs, Faculty for Women's Concerns and the Department of English are sponsoring the event.

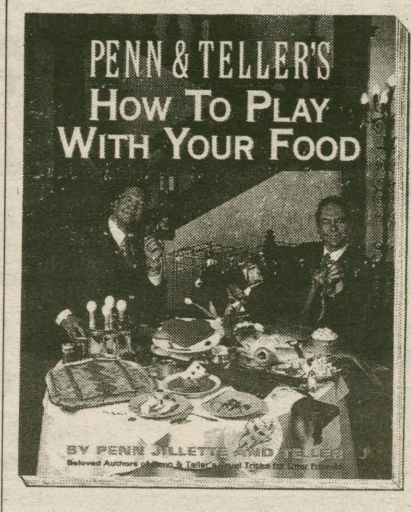
Red Cross is out for blood

The American Red Cross needs at least 100 donors in its upcoming Hamilton College blood drive.

From 10:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 25, members of the Hamilton community can donate blood in the Bristol Campus Center.

"Helping to make sure that blood is available for a family member, relative, friend, neighbor or business associate is a community responsibility that we should all take to heart," said American Red Cross District Consultant Donna Lutz.

Volunteers must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than 110 pounds, be in good health and not have given blood in the last 56 days. Call 859-4194 for an appointment.



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Liberal and conservative debate free speech and censorship

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the ACLU represented a group of neo-Nazis who wanted to stage a demonstration in the area. Skokie has a large population of Jewish citizens, including many Holocaust survivors, who vehemently opposed the demonstration.

"Every group has its Skokie," Strossen said, meaning that every interest group has its one form of speech it would like to censure, usually because they find it particularly offensive. If every group were to be allowed to censure speech of their choice, free speech would disappear very rapidly, Strossen argued.

Censorship, she said, is most harmful to minority groups, even though they are frequently the groups advocating censorship.

In his opening statement, Meese spoke in favor of free speech wherever possible. He declared that colleges in particular should be havens of free speech, and he criticized schools that have implemented speech codes.

Meese's main objection to Strossen's argument was highlighted by his views about obscenity and child pornography. Meese repeatedly used these two subjects as the basis for his justification of the censorship of materials that violate legal definitions of obscenity.

Strossen said later in the debate that the ACLU does not support child pornography because it involves individuals who are minors and therefore unable to make choices for themselves regarding participation in sexually explicit actions.

Meese stressed the difference between sexually oriented material, such as *Playboy* and *Penthouse* magazines, and obscene pornographic materials that are considered to hold no accepted artistic value. Strossen insisted upon the need to classify all mature material made by consenting adults simply as sexually oriented, and disputed the official definition of obscenity as both contradictory and moralistic.

It was clear that the tone of the debate was restrained; both participants offered carefully reasoned arguments and refutations based on a variety of legal sources and interpretations.

Meese calls for community action

Most of the controversy came during the second half of the debate when the speakers fielded questions from the audience. During the questioning, Meese emphasized the right of communities to organize against what they consider offensive and suggested the government take a hands-off approach whenever possible. He sighted the example of a record released by rapper Ice-T last year, called "Cop Killer," that that was ultimately recalled by its distributors due to public outcry over what many deemed as its offensive content.

One specific dispute the debate highlighted was over a report the attorney general's office produced when Meese was in power dealing with obscenity, pornography and its effect on the population. Meese referred to a report, used by his commission on pornography, by the surgeon general that found a correlation between violent crime and obscenity and pornography.

Strossen criticized the Meese report saying that it had been designed to lead to certain conclusions. She cited several other sources, including aspects of the surgeon general's report that she felt were contradictory.

One of the questions posed to Meese dealt with the government-run National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and its need to subjectively choose grant recipients from a field of many, sometimes controversial artists. Meese declared that the government has no business running the NEA and that private foundations should support the arts. Under his plan, double tax deductions would be given to those individuals who make contributions to the arts.

After the questioning period, both speakers gave their closing statements. Meese stressed his respect for existing laws and the rights of individuals to set their own standard of decency for questionable materials.

In her closing statement, Strossen suggested that the Puritan roots of this nation may be reflected in our attitudes towards the "obscene." She also emphasized the long standing taboo against talk about sex that has only recently disappeared. She also included a quote from the Los Angeles *Times* reading, "The urge to sensor is the greatest human urge."

Assessing Clinton's choice

At a press conference before the debate, both speakers answered questions about the Clinton administration's effort to nominate an attorney general and the different standards in the nomination process for men as compared with women.

Meese said, "When Douglas Ginsburg was nominated to the Supreme Court, the same situation occurred." Ginsburg's nomination was ultimately withdrawn when it was disclosed that he had smoked marijuana in his youth.

Meese said the situation was similar to the recent case of Zoe Baird, the Clinton administration's nominee who withdrew her name from the nomination after admitting she had broken the law when she failed to pay Social Security taxes on the illegal alien she had hired to care for her children.

Strossen agreed, saying, "We have the right to demand that those who have responsibility to enforce the law should uphold it [themselves]."

On the issue of President Clinton's move to allow gays to serve in the military, Meese argued that "the military is not a playground for testing social issues," and that the views of the military's leadership should be respected by political leaders. He added that the Congress has the Consitutional authority to set rules about the military, and as such, it should be that body making the decisions regarding the ban on homosexuals.

Strossen responded by drawing an analogy between the current situation and the situation in 1948, when then-President Harry Truman ordered the military to allow blacks to serve in the same combat units as whites despite opposition from military leaders. She also related that the ACLU circulated a letter urging an end to the ban on gays in the military to major institutions, and indicated that Hamilton's President hank Payne had been among the signers of the letter.

Alcohol policy still under fire at midyear

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problems cannot be found in policy adjustment, it's in attitude adjustment," Thompson said.

Premdass echoed the sentiment saying, "The main goal of CAPE is to educate the community about the responsibility of drinking." She emphasized that CAPE did not draw the new policy, but only offered suggestions to the Administration. CAPE members are "from all walks of life" and do not advocate the abolition of alcohol at Hamilton, just "the responsible use of alcohol," said Premdass.

Even though not all of CAPE's suggestions to the Administration were adopted, Premdass did not have any further suggestions for improvements to the fledgling policy. "At this time I'm not sure that I'd give any improvements because it's too early. If anything, I'd tip my hat to the Resident Advisors because they're the ones that have to enforce the policy."

Thompson also praised for the R.A.'s saying they are instrumental in the policy's implementation.

Thompson suggested that one way to improve Hamilton's alcohol policy is to make more of an effort to track students with drinking problems. "I know that we have a number of students who have a problem with alcohol, and they need to be in treatment. We don't have a good way of identifying those students and getting them the help they need," she said.

Thompson described a system in place at Colgate University in which people involved in alcohol related incidents were funneled through treatment programs. She said that a similar system for Hamilton is still in the early stages of development.

Hamilton's alcohol problem is too serious to be eliminated by just policy. In a school where 74% of incoming first-years have consumed alcohol as opposed to 63% at comparable institutions and 52% at colleges nationwide, a change in attitude is the key.

Despite the increase in alcohol related incidents last semester there are signs of change. "There were a lot of first-years interested in substance-free housing," Dean Thompson said.

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ACT UP against AIDS at the Gallery

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was afraid no one would attend because they all knew about the situation.

"I was afraid they wouldn't allow their kids to come to the party," said Lorrie. She was wrong.

Lorrie said she knows people who know they have AIDS and yet they continue to have unprotected sex. She said they feel that if they are having sex with someone, it is that someone's responsibility to protect himself or herself.

According to Lorrie, those people will not tell their partners they have AIDS because they just want the companionship.

"That's why I stress the importance of watching out for you," Lorrie said.

Lorrie said she thinks people who know they have AIDS and practice unsafe sex should be punished. She said she does not feel hatred toward her fiance for giving her AIDS because he did not know he had the virus. He had recovered from his drug addiction and Lorrie said she respects him for that.

"If I had known I had AIDS, I would never have gotten pregnant," said Lorrie "The only mistake I made was not getting tested before I got pregnant."

•Last night, in "AIDS: Setting the Challenge," Hamilton students performed a series of student-written vignettes in the Coffeehouse to illustrate how AIDS affects society.

•Tonight at 7:00 p.m. "ACT UP: Fighting AIDS Through Activism" will take place in the Red Pit. According to Associate Dean of Students Nancy Thompson, three members of an ACT UP group from Buffalo will present a two-part AIDS workshop. The group was on campus last year for GLBSA weekend.

The first part of the workshop will address AIDS education and practicing safe sex. The second part will provide information about ACT UP as an organization.

At the workshop, said Thompson, ACT UP will help those in attendance put together a presentation that will take place at some point tomorrow. The time and location will be announced at the workshop tonight.

•Tonight from 9:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., "The Gallery," Hamilton's dance club which made its debut last semester, will play a part in creating greater awareness of AIDS.

The event will take place in Bundy dining hall. Admission is $2 and buys "all you can drink." The dining hall will be decorated with red ribbons. Condoms will be available for people to take with them.

Event organizer Chris Dixon '93 said, " We have the ability to reach a large number of people." He said he hopes the dance club will remind people that they can have fun and have a good time without losing responsibility.

AIDS awareness will not be the theme of the night, but those who attend the club will definitely be reminded of the presence of AIDS in society, said Dixon.

•Throughout the week, Peer Advisors have offered a free condom delivery service. Anyone who needs a condom can call 1-800-283-2255 and give the operator the extension number (30231), dorm and room number. Within half an hour, condoms will be delivered.

"One of the things we were worried about was that people would only look at this as a joke," said Peer Advising advisor Mark Thompson. "We wanted to get people thinking about their decision to be sexually active."

Peer Advisor Josh David '94 said the service has received an average of 18 calls a night since Monday. "I assume that a little less than half of [the calls] are jokes."

When a call comes in, the caller's dorm and room number appear on the screen of David's beeper. David then notifies a Peer Advisor in the specified dorm and that person delivers the condom. The delivery person knocks on the door and slides the condom underneath.

According to David, the service will be available through Sunday night.

•This Sunday, at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel, an "Interfaith Service of Remembrance for Persons Who've Died of AIDS" will conclude AIDS Awareness Week.

Throughout the week, there have been boxes around campus into which faculty and students were able to drop names of people who have died of AIDS. The first names of these people will be read at the service.

Also, during the service, members of Hillel, Newman Council, Community Church, BLSU, La Vanguardia, Amnesty International, the International Student Association and HAVOC will read excerpts from literature and poems.

The week's events were sponsored by the Dean of Students Office, Peer Advisors, Residential Life, the Chaplaincy, the Counseling Center, the Health Center, HAVOC, GLBSA

Student Assembly Corner

In their meeting last Monday night, the Student Assembly heard plans for some of the upcoming renovations, listened to presentations from its three main project committees and voted to recognize the new sorority, Gamma Xi.

According to Student Assembly President Sarah Gee '94, Director of Residential Life Rebecca Reed spoke regarding the plans for the renovations of both South and Carnegie residence halls.

Gee said the Student Assembly's three main projects for the semester are broken down into separate committees.

The budget committee was formed to look for alternatives to the cuts to the Health Center and the Japanese Department.

Second, the Spring Fest committee is planning a big celebration with a huge band.

The third group is a Vend-a-Card committee which is investigating the possibility of providing cards that word on a debit system.

Under this system, Vend-a-Cards and student I.D. cards would be one and the same and would be able to be used in the Hub, bookstore, in copy machines and in laser printers.

Finally, the Student Assembly voted to recognize the society as a campus organization. Because Gamma Xi is not affiliated with a national sorority, they need to be recognized this way, said Gee, so that the society will have such privileges as reserving rooms for events and employing campus vans for transportation.

Elections

Last Wednesday, the junior class elected three new representatives and the sophomore class elected a president and a treasurer as well as two new representatives.

The three new class of '94 representatives are: Jeanne Bergman, Trevor Nardini and Jen Tsuha.

The class of '95 chose Tracee Plowell to be their president and Matt Ziccardi as their treasurer. The two new representatives are Jennifer Johnson and John Reilly.

Next Wednesday, February 17, students can vote—outside the mail center—on faculty-approved revisions of the Honor Code.

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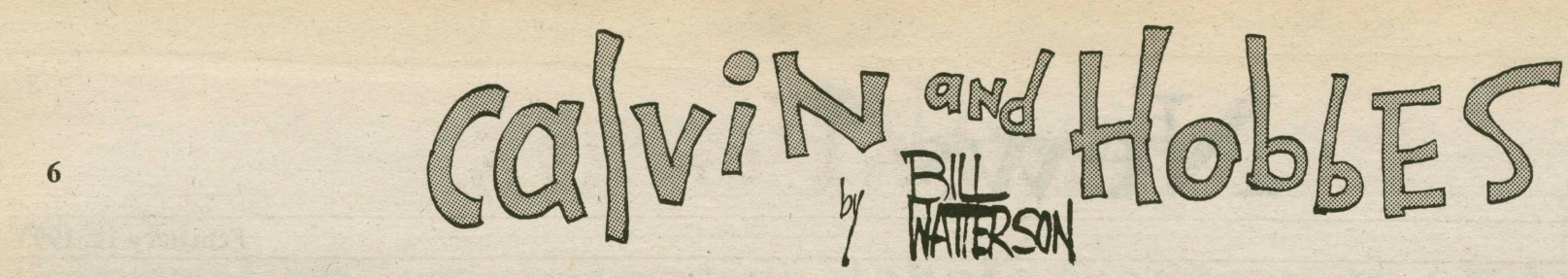

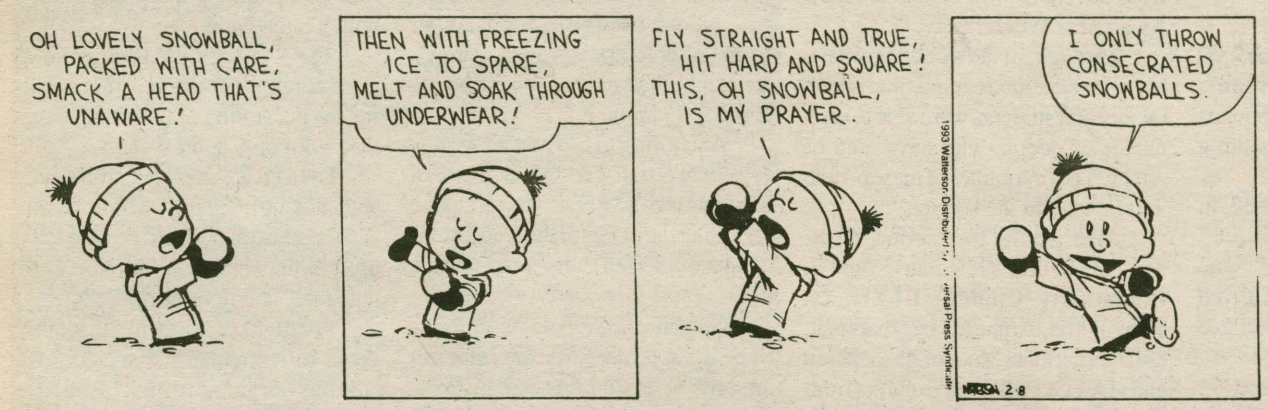
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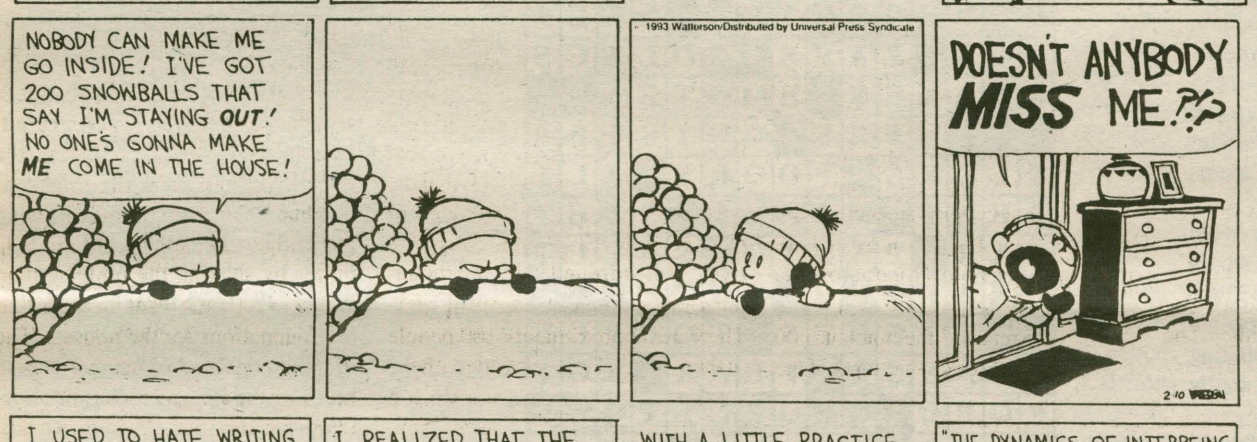
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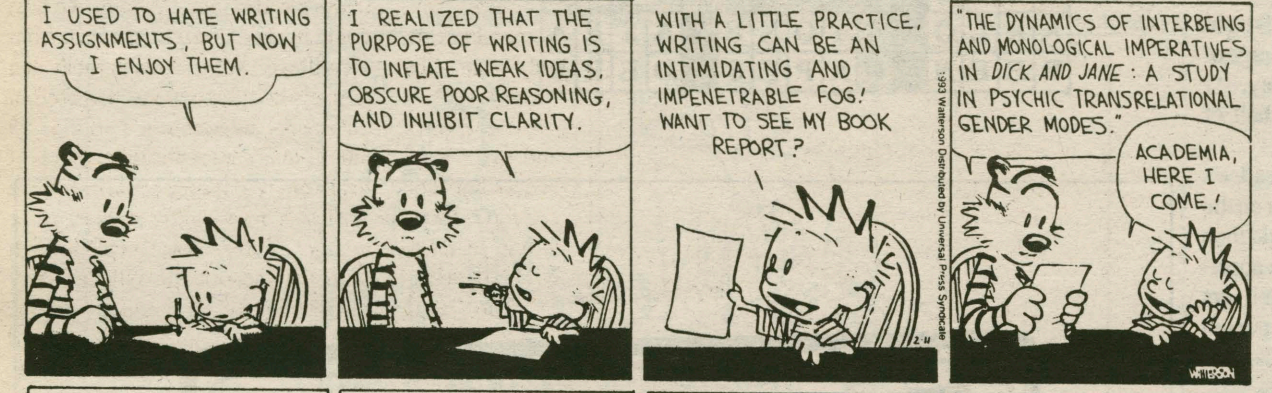
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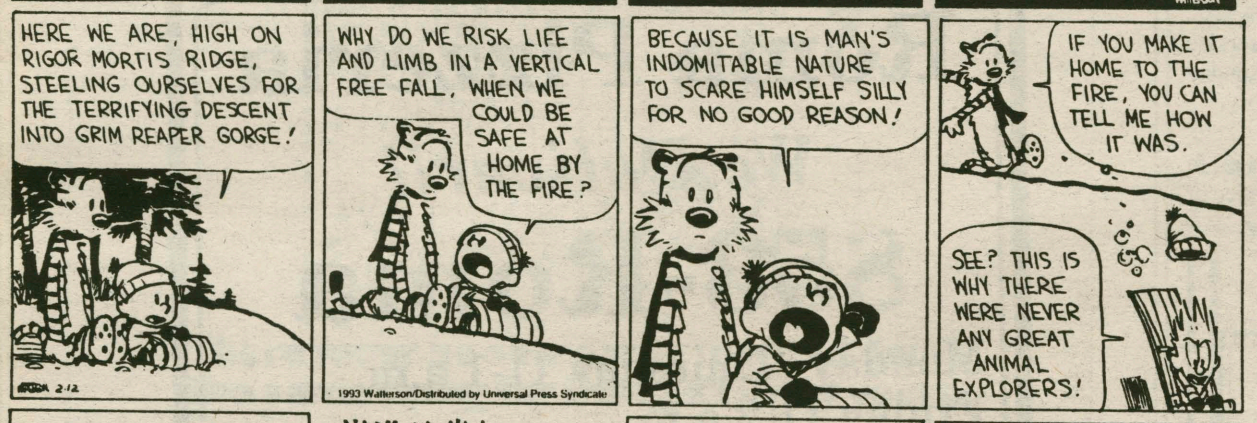
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BECAUSE IT IS MAN'S INDOMITABLE NATURE TO SCARE HIMSELF SILLY FOR NO GOOD REASON!
IF YOU MAKE IT HOME TO THE FIRE, YOU CAN TELL ME HOW IT WAS.
SEE? THIS IS WHY THERE WERE NEVER ANY GREAT ANIMAL EXPLORERS!
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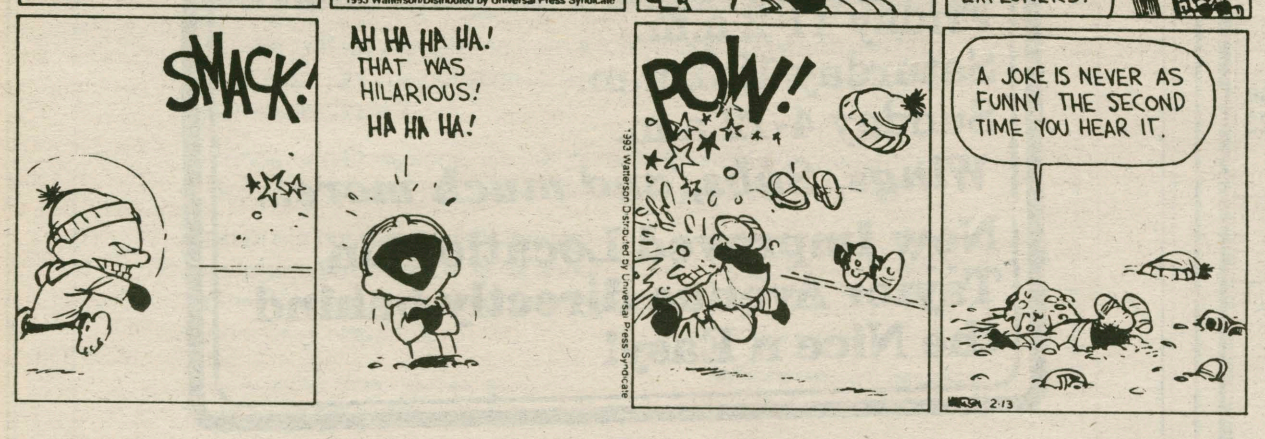
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A JOKE IS NEVER AS FUNNY THE SECOND TIME YOU HEAR IT.
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Quotable Quotes

STEVE REYNOLDS

"In 1922, Skinner . . . decided to attend Hamilton College in Clinton, New York. Having always enjoyed school, he looked forward to an intellectual environment in which students would eagerly and voluntarily study. What he found, instead, was a campus full of students more inclined to socialize than theorize."

-Passage from the Cliff Notes to B. F. Skinner's '26 Walden Two.

"Hey, who is that guy? He looks like a puppet."

-Amy Schuerman '94, not recognizing Vice-President Dan O' Leary in the dining hall.

"Cold and expensive . . . sounds like a lot of girls I used to date."

-Geoff Trukenbrod '94, describing Purity Water.

"If I wasn't paid to read it, I'd chuck it in the garbage."

-Bill Stern '93 on the submissions he has to read as a tutor at the Writing Center.

"Sometimes I wonder if dogs would have built a vast and complex civilization of their own if they weren't distracted by their ability to lick themselves."

-Jeff Spencer '94.

"If you buy a ticket to a Knicks game for a hundred dollars, you may not be able to afford many beers. On the other hand, if you pay that much to get in, you may *need* more beers."

-Economics Professor Chuck Grim.

"Guaranteed delivery in thirty minutes?! What are you gonna do for half an hour, think of baseball?"

-Brendan McCormick '93 on the free condom offer during AIDS Awareness Week.

"You know you're gonna lose when you make a goatee growing bet with a guy who grows hair on his back."

-Sam Wright '96, on his chances of growing a beard faster than his opponent.

"I prefer to call them Vaginal Americans."

-Visiting student Brian Murphy '93, on what he thinks the politically correct term for women is at SUNY Oneonta.

"A police officer may not seize an unarmed, nondangerous suspect by shooting him dead."

-Part of the actual decision in the 1985 Tennessee v. Garner case that popped up in a Criminal Justice System reading.

"I may be stupid but, compared to Mary Jo Buttafuoco, I'm a rocket scientist."

-Jessica Allen '93 discussing her notion that even though seniors may have trouble job hunting, Hamilton still sends forth the cream of the crop.

"Girls get to say 'yes or no.' Guys have to say 'please.'"

-Lynn Murphy's '93 "Law on the Female Perogative."

"Ladies and gentlemen, may I have your attention, please. The blindfolded water polo tournament has been canceled for today."

-Howard Bender '93, while announcing the Hamilton-Union swim meet.

"Wow, the new bookstore looks like the GAP!"

-Kelly Dietz '95.

"So?"

-Professor Frank Anechiarico's response to complaints from his senior thesis group that the first draft of the final paper was due the Monday after Spring Break.

"Never spend four months living alone with twelve other priests."

-Anonymous Newman Chaplain, summing up a semester-long sabbatical.

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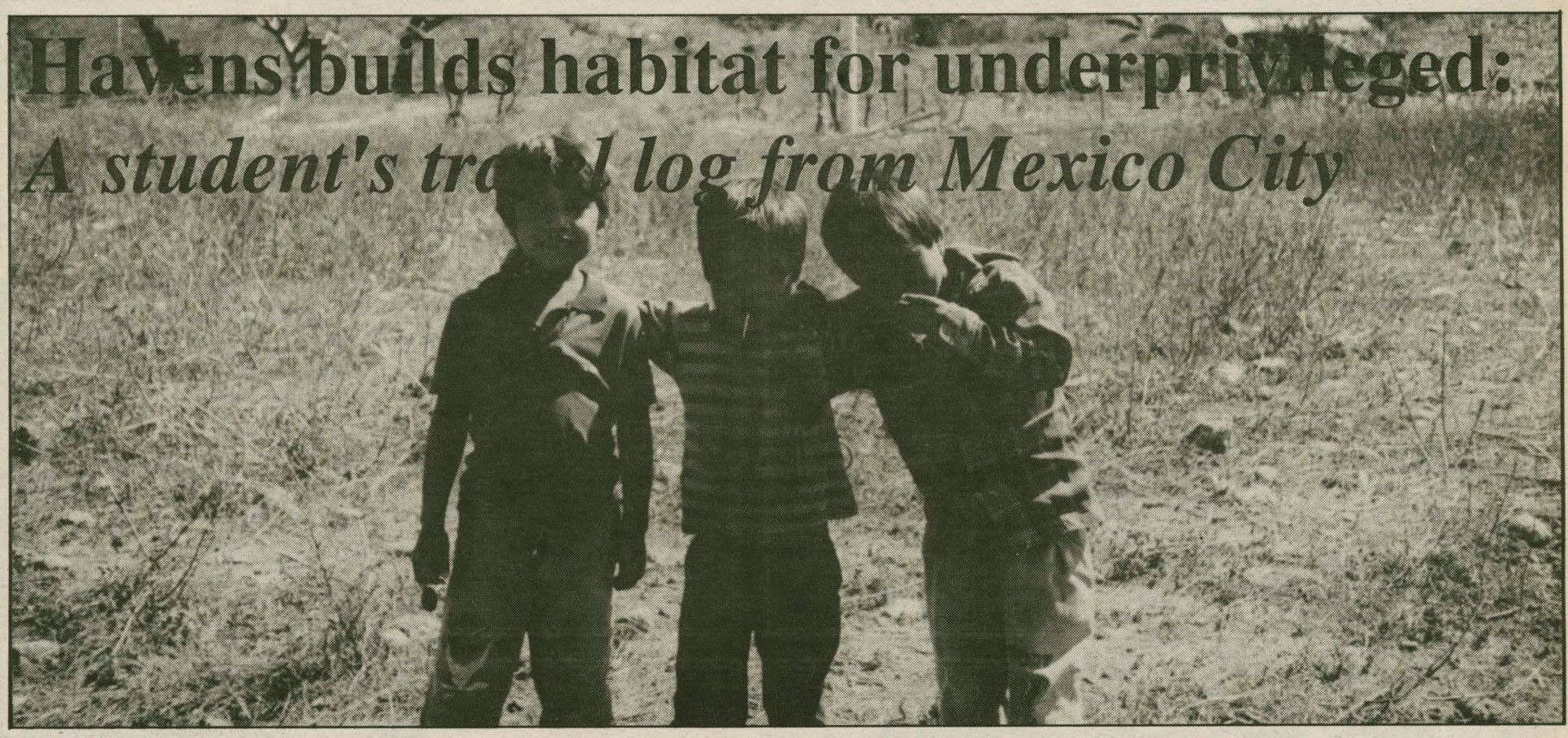

Havens builds habitat for underprivileged:

A student's travel log from Mexico City

By Scott Havens '94
SPECIAL TO FEATURES

In early October, I started to think about plans for Christmas vacation, specifically from New Year's until January 17. The two ideas I came up with were to either go skiing out west or head towards the sun. But one day my father sent me a newsletter about Habitat for Humanity, a worldwide non-profit organization that devotes its time building houses for the underprivileged in various parts of the world. So I decided to send away for information about a workcamp in a Spanish speaking country not only to brush up on my second language, but also help someone less fortunate than myself. When I found out that there was one workcamp still open in Tlapa de Comonfort, a small village outside of Mexico City, in January, I signed up immediately. I told my roommate Peter Sullivan about it and he also decided to do it. The trip was going to run from January 8 to January 19, unfortunately forcing us to miss three days of school. The following passages are from the daily diary I kept of the trip. Because it would be too long to write every detail, the middle of the week is a compilation of highlights.

Friday Jan. 8:

After spending last night with my cousin in Fort Worth, Texas, I wait anxiously in Dallas/Fort Worth airport for the rest of the group. Peter is meeting us in Houston. We meet with the rest of the volunteers in Houston and then fly to Mexico City. The group consists of nine men and three women, including a married couple from Canada. After clearing through customs with no problems, we meet our leader Jennifer, who has been living in Tlapa de Comonfort for two years, and a Mexican volunteer from the village, Hector. We take the Metro, the subway of the city, to our "hotel." The hotel turns out to be a Quaker house named La Casa de los Amigos (The house of friends). It is essentially a hostel for refugees of Central America. We are separated by sex and assigned beds. The men's room has six horrendously hard and short bunkbeds. The rules, of which there are many, include: lights out at 10:00 p.m., no alcohol in the house and no smoking in the house. It was pretty late when we arrived at the hostel, so we went to bed early to get up at 7:00 a.m. and visit the pyramids of Teotihuacan for the day.

Saturday Jan. 9:

Everyone is up early and we take a bus to the Aztec pyramids. The amount of vendors selling jewelry and souvenirs is amazing. You cannot walk fifteen feet without being accosted. God forbid you actually stop to look at the merchandise because they will not leave you alone if any interest is shown. The pyramids were an awesome sight, two full pyramids, one for the Sun god and the other for the Moon god. In addition, there were other ruins and artifacts to look at. We took the bus home to the hostel at 4:30. Dinner tonight was chicken, rice, beans, cactus strips and cantaloupe juice. A pretty regular meal in Mexico I hear. Tonight, Peter, myself, and Eric (32 years old) headed out to see if there is any night life. After getting kicked out of a few bars because we are American and being told the bar was full when it wasn't, we go to the Holiday Inn for a few drinks. We head home early because we are leaving for Tlapa in the morning.

Sunday Jan. 10:

The bus we take seats about forty people, but there were at least another thirty standing in the aisles. They don't really care about safety here. The ride took eight hours and was extremely uncomfortable. The bus had broken down halfway due to faulty brakes, very reassuring looking at the windy roads to Tlapa. The driver's companion carried a bat to possibly ward off any "banditos" that may try to rob the bus. I saw their version of highway maintenance-little boys fill in holes on the road with rocks and then hold a rope across the road so each automobile will pay a "toll." We reached the hotel at 6:00 p.m., cutting through the stares of the townspeople. We were divided into two people per room, Peter and I room together. The hotel, which is very nice for this area is only $12 per night. Peter and I went to get bottled water and everyone stared at us. We are the only white people in a town of 30,000. At dinner, we met some of the volunteers from the town. They are all very friendly. We all go to bed early to get up at 6:30 a.m., our daily procedure.

Cross situated atop unknown mountain in Mexico.

Monday Jan. 11:

Water in shower could not have been more than 45 degrees this morning. After a breakfast of eggs, coffee, and beans, we head to our worksite in the back of a truck. We hear comments of "White Slaves" driving through town, I guess it is ironic that a Mexican is driving us twelve in the back of his truck. The village of Otate is about ten minutes away by a river. It is surrounded by big mountains, an extremely beautiful area. There are approximately 100 people in the village. Today, I work with the Canadian couple, Fernando (University of Alabama Professor of Medicine), and two villagers, Olivio and Leopoldo. Olivio seems to be a little angry about us being here, but Fernando, born in Mexico, speaks to him and he becomes more friendly by day's end. We spent the entire day making bricks out of sand, porter, lime and water. With no machines, it is a tedious effort. Every day we are to have lunch at a different family's house. Most of the food was bought for the families by Habitat. Anyone who says Mexicans are lazy are extremely wrong, they work all day in 95 degree heat with hardly any breaks. They put us to shame. We are offered Pepsi and Coke constantly, it is a staple of their diet down here. I spoke with the eldest man of the village (70 years) who has 11 children and 59 grandchildren! We came back to the hotel at 6:00, showered, ate a dinner of soup, beef and tortillas, walked around the village for a short time and fell dead asleep at 10:00.

Tuesday Jan. 12:

Today, a few of us decided to cross a wire bridge to get to the village instead of driving across the river. Since I am a bit fearful of heights, I had a rough time crossing the bridge. The others did not help things by shaking the bridge either. A few of the men went up the hill to dig foundations for the houses. The digging consisted of using a pick to break up the soil and rocks and shoveling the dirt out. Again, we just could not keep up with the men from the village. We had lunch today at a house where the parents are both in New York city and the two kids 15 and 17 take care of the other 6 kids. I heard many of these people have been in New York illegally at one time or another. Today was a break through with the men of the village. They have begun to joke around with us, especially Joaquin, the most feared man of the village. He beats his wife incessantly and supposedly hit his son so hard he became blind. To us, however, he is very nice. The women we don't see much; their role is limited to domestic work. The feminist movement has not yet begun here. We gave some candy to the kids and they loved it. We left the worksite a little early because we were all exhausted. The little boys love to ride on the back of the truck up the hill away from the village, they are oblivious to fear. On the way home we saw graffiti on the wall that said "Death to Bush and Go home Yankees." It was kind of disturbing, but somewhat justified I guess. After dinner, we all went out for a few beers. Peter and I decided to stay later. Six Mexicans came in soon after and said "Hello." They also bought us a round of beers and came over to talk. By this time everyone was a little drunk and I could not understand their Spanish very well. They asked us to go with them to another bar and we asked them if it was dangerous and they said no. So.

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Find happiness in the single life: it's here to stay

By Jackie Gieri '96
FEAUTRES STAFF WRITER

If you ever catch the words "Good Lovin'" falling from the lips of one of your fellow Hamiltonians, you can be sure they are only dreaming out loud, because they sure aren't getting any here!

According to many Hamilton students, if you are looking for love, you are in the wrong place. "The dating scene here just doesn't exist," exclaimed Faith Morgan '94, "The majority of people don't 'go steady' and even those that do tend to keep it hidden." Like Morgan, many students feel that relationships are something that Hamilton undoubtedly lacks. It is said that the term "dating" does not even apply here, since, for the most part, the closest a person will get to romance on this campus is "hooking-up." (For those of you that have been under a rock for your entire college experience, "hooking-up" refers to any non-commital, physical engagement, often with both sides aware that there are no intentions of further involvement.) So, whatever happened to "going out" the old-fashioned way?

"It's extinct," lamented Jennifer Wheeler '96. "It seems like the first thing on people's minds whenever you meet them is 'hooking up.' "

According to most students the majority of the blame lies in the nature of the atmosphere here. As Jonathan Shuman '95 puts it, "The social scene here isn't beneficial to relationships. It seems as though most activities are designed as solitary ones, which leaves one person in the relationship feeling left out."

However, there are other reasons which are believed to hinder commitment on the Hamilton campus that have less to do with the atmosphere and more to do with the individual. Some students feel that it is maturity (or rather, lack of it) which determines whether relationships or random "hook-ups" will dominate a social scene. "People just aren't mature enough to get to know one another," asserts Sarah Willard '95, "they don't think about the morning after; they choose to learn by trial and error."

Others think the lack of relationships at Hamilton are a result of age. These people feel that people of college-age often are not ready for serious commitment. "People at this age aren't sure what they're looking for and so they tend to do a lot of experimenting," remarked Rebecca Egan '96.

Finally, there is a third opinion among students that stereotypes are to blame for the minute number of relationships on this campus. However, not all of these students agree on what these stereotypes are. Most claim that men are seen as "scam artists" and women as commitment hungry. The flip-side of this is that there are those who generalize that it is women who are not looking to settle down and men who ache for those commital ties. "I think it could go either way," commented Mark Savitsky '96, "which is the exact problem of stereotypes. People start to believe them and become afraid to get involved with those of the opposite sex."

Now, of course we can not forget the inevitable question—does alcohol take any of the blame for the abundance of "hook-ups?" Surprisingly enough, the answer did not come in the form of a resounding yes. Although the concensus among students was that alcohol does most certainly play a major role in the nature of the "dating" scene at Hamilton, they all agreed that it not the sole cause of it. "Alcohol may be an excuse, but the desire to hook-up is already there, " commmented Jonathan Paulson '95.

Overall, students are not too fond of the social atmosphere (or lack of it) at Hamilton, but there are a few stragglers who do not see it as being that bad. According to Patrick Kenny '95, "It is probably good, since you shouldn't stay with any one person at this juncture of your life anyway." And of course, there are those who have found satisfying relationships at Hamilton, which gives hope to the single student population, that maybe there is "good lovin' " to be found on this small campus after all, but only if you choose to look for it.

Cover of the *Singles* original motion picture soundtrack, a film where people learn how to find their love.

Will Morris '96 and Adrianne Levin '96 have been together since Adirondack Adventure '92. PHOTO BY LEIGH NIEMIEC

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Mind Matters: Coping with senior stress

By Jessica Solky '93

As Hamilton seniors approach that bitter-sweet day on May 23, we are faced with a number of challenges and decisions. Many of us may feel overwhelmed with sadness about leaving friends behind, as well as anxiety, excitement, and even ambivalence about the future. This is an awkward period in which many students may feel caught in limbo between college life and preparations for the future.

Over the past three and a half years, seniors have formed close bonds with friends. We recall with nostalgia the happy and the disappointing experiences we have been through together. The thought of future jobs, graduate schools or travel separating friends can cause fear and sadness. Starting afresh in an unfamiliar, demanding environment can be very scary.

The past three and a half years have been relatively comfortable, with our lives revolving around academics and campus activities, and the fundamental security of knowing what comes next; first year is followed by sophomore year, which is followed by junior year, and so on. While some seniors may experience a sense of relief at graduating from Hamilton, often "the student begins experiencing a sense of loss in leaving this comfortable, warm environment and may experience apprehension about his or her future" (Blimling and Miltenberger, p. 122). After college the future is wide open. We are faced with enormous choices.

According to one study (Klagsbrun, S. 1992) most college students do not find it extremely difficult to separate from their parents, but find it challenging to make autonomous decisions once they are separated. Up until now, most of us received some guidance from parents about the future. Many were simply "expected" to attend college. The new-found pressure of major career decisions can be very stressful.

For those who have begun to apply and interview for jobs or graduate programs, anxiety is centered around pending decisions of other people. "Will I be offered a job with a particular company or be accepted in graduate school with an assistantship? Will I need to take a job of lower status or attend a graduate school of lower status?" (Blimling & Miltenberger, p. 122). Anxiety, stress, and tension ensue as the year progresses and positions seem to be fewer and fewer. We may feel bewildered by contradictory reports of a stagnant economy yet hear from friends who may have acquired a job or graduate program.

Stress is in the air, as "many students are gripped with a type of panic that affects other students as the anxiety of one student feeds off the anxiety of others" (Blimling & Miltenberger, p. 121). Students may place too much emphasis on the importance of finding that one "perfect" job or graduate program. "They may view their entire success or failure in college in terms of their ability to find employment in a particular occupation" (Blimling & Miltenberger, p. 122). Students may find themselves becoming competitive with other students, perhaps for the first time.

For other students, the job search and application process has yet to begin. Uncertainty and apprehension about the future is so scary and overwhelming to some seniors, that they prefer to avoid dealing with research, resumes, cover letters, applications, and interviews. Said one Hamilton senior, "I'm not doing anything."

This reaction is understandable. However, as time passes, pressure becomes even greater because the gap between the present and graduation becomes increasingly smaller, the opportunities fewer, and the motivation to deal with this ever-increasing stress decreases. These students are encouraged to attend one of the Career Center's many workshops or come in for a personal appointment because the staff are more than willing to help.

Lastly, pressure about the future comes with sacrifice. Many seniors have less time to attend to academics because their minds are on the future. Students miss classes for interviews, and experience, for the first time, the burden of additional stress beyond academic and personal issues. "People have a tendency to relieve stress and anxiety through heightened reactions to situations and people" (Blimling & Miltenberger, p. 122). It is helpful to keep things in perspective in these times so that interpersonal relationships can function as support networks rather than extra tensions. The other night at dinner I sat at a table with friends, and we all laughed because we realized each of us had been rejected from one application or another in the past week. Keeping a healthy attitude can make a world of difference because we begin to realize about ourselves and our fellow seniors, that we are all in this together.

Long Distance Love Blues

Long distance love's the most difficult kind
The separation blues drive us out of our minds.

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And comfort each other on Valentine's Day.

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To brighten our day and make us feel better.

Upon our arrival we find only a bill
Calls we don't remember but ACC will!

The nookie pressure at times can be much,
Especially 'cause we know that we can't touch.

As couples leave parties two by two
We walk home alone with nothing to do.

We crawl into bed lonely and cold
Counting the days until us they will hold.

Ugly nights occur, time and again
Old Milwaukee remains our eternal friend.

A phone call at these times is not recommended
Because syllables and memories often are blended.

The following morning we awake feeling blurry
As we pick up the receiver and begin to worry.

"What happened last night? What did we say?"
-And it's all because of lonely Valentine's Day!!!

-Keri Goldman '95 and Hannah Jameson '95

F.Y.I : Act on AIDS warnings

By Diann Lynch R.N., C.C.H.N.

Studies tell us that the average college student is well informed about AIDS. The media has provided us with educational and statistical information, and television has brought AIDS into our homes through Public Service Announcements, new shows, and talk shows.

While in high school, most students discussed safe sex and AIDS in health or other classes. And yet, studies also tell us that even though college students are well informed, they have not significantly changed their behavior to reduce the risk of getting AIDS.

One possible reason for this is that, for the most part, college-age students perceive themselves as invincible. They know and understand the facts about AIDS but have an attitude of "it happens to other people, it won't happen to me."

Also, a person who is HIV positive does not look ill. In fact, even though statistics show that 1 of 500 college students are HIV positive, there are an unknown number of HIV positive students that have not been tested. These students may not even suspect that they are HIV positive. Given the latency period of 8 to 10 years, these individuals probably won't become symptomatic of AIDS until after their college years.

Many students would also say that they are not at risk because they are not IV drug users, or because they are not gay. But we now know that heterosexual transmission is the cause of 11% of all AIDS cases in the 13 to 19 year old age group and 9% in 20 to 24 year olds.

So what do all these statistics mean to you, a student at Hamilton? It means that no matter what your sexual orientation, you are at a high risk of getting AIDS if you are practicing unsafe sex. If you are having casual sex with multiple partners, chances are those partners have also had multiple partners and you are both at risk for not only AIDS but other sexually transmitted diseases. If you are having vaginal, anal, or oral sex without a condom or a latex barrier, you are at a great risk for getting AIDS. If you are having sex when drunk or high on drugs, you are at risk because you may forget to use a condom or not use it properly.

Know your partner and their sexual history. Always use a latex condom with nonoxynol-9 spermicide. A condom must be put on an erect penis before any contact is made between the penis and any part of the partners body. Latex barriers or "dental dams" should be used when having oral sex with a female. Condoms should be used with vibraters and other sex toys. Stay sober if you are having sex.

AIDS is preventable, but you alone are responsible for your sexual health. The Health Center has a variety of pamphlets on safe sex and proper use of condoms. Free condoms are also available in the waiting room.

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even though we were warned never to enter a cantina, we went. We walked out and one man put his arm around me for a few minutes. It was very strange. We walked through some dark alleys and I kept asking them if it was safe, they kept saying yes. Finally, the bar was in sight, but there was one problem. There were 13 prostitutes outside and the men wanted us to choose one. I kept telling them I was married and finally we went inside and the women were angry at us. Inside there were a few tables of extremely drunk men. By this time, Peter and I were shaking. One drunk came over to our table and told one of the men he hated Americans and wanted us out. Our "friends" told him to sit down and shut up, luckily he did. The night persisted with a new man trying to get me to dance with a prostitute or with him. For a half an hour he was relentless but gave up and danced himself. When we left it was 2 of them and 2 of us. I kept telling them I didn't want a woman tonight, but it came out in Spanish as if I were saying I didn't like women. So now I was worried because I thought they wanted to take us home and we weren't interested. I felt bad for Peter because he could not understand any Spanish and was completely in the dark. One man left and I breathed normally for the first time in hours. The other man walked us home safely. It was an incredible evening, but I would never do it again.

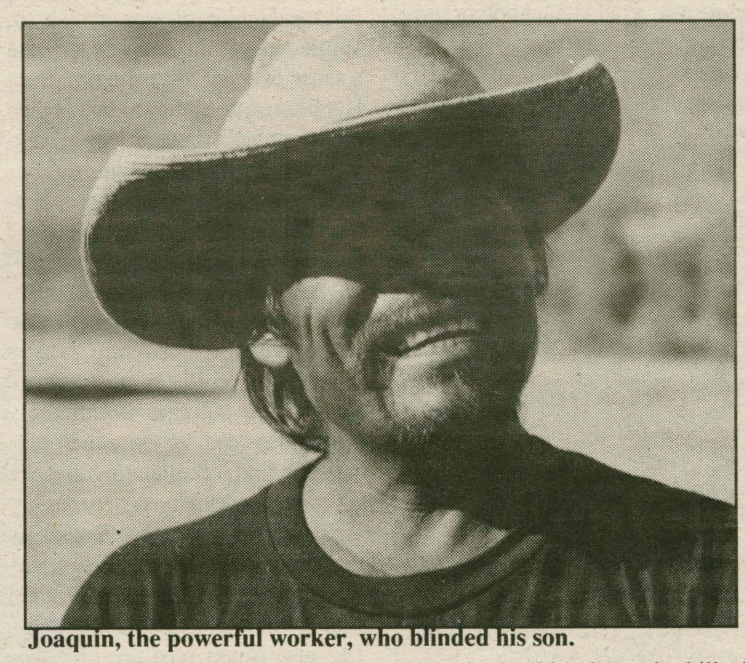
Wednesday Jan. 13—Saturday Jan. 16:

Most of the week was spent working hard and sleeping as much as possible. On Wednesday, while collecting boulders for the foundations, the villagers showed me a few scorpions and black widow spiders. They usually were hiding under rocks and we were told to be careful when lifting the rocks because a bite from either is extremely poisonous. Later in the day, some of the kids from the village were playing up in the mountains with their grandfather and stumbled across what they said was a swarm of killer bees. Upon discovering the swarm, the kids ran away in a fury but amazingly, the old man just stayed still until the bees were gone. Peter got sick on Wednesday and then I also got stomach cramps Thursday. Needless to say we couldn't work full strength for the rest of the trip.

The locals challenged us to a game of basketball on their makeshift courts and we gladly accepted, expecting to destroy them. Well, by the end of the game, they had won and we couldn't walk. Saturday was our last day of work at the village and we took pictures and said goodbye after lunch. Although we hadn't completed a house, we really helped with the start and another group was to come later and finish it. It was a sad moment for everyone, the little kids were crying as well as some of the adults. As I left the village for the last time, I started to think about their life versus mine. Could they be happier with only the bare necessities of life? Do the materialistic objects we all crave really make us content?

Sunday Jan. 17:

Today Peter, myself, a few others from the group, and a few locals decide to hike a mountain with an enormous cross on it at 10:00 a.m.. It was supposed to take 2 hours to get to the top and then we were to stop at the waterfalls on the way down and be home by 1:00 p.m.. After barely reaching the top due to exhaustion, we headed down towards the falls. An hour later we found the stream that was to lead to the falls. We walked down the stream for a while until we hit a dead end, a 25 foot drop with no way down but to jump. We were not very happy with Hector, our guide. Hector decided we would scale the side of the ravine to get back to the original mountain we hiked up. It was ridiculous, we had no climbing apparatus, no water left, we were exhausted, and the terrain was steep and dangerous. But we did it anyway. The problems began when we had climbed up about 20 feet. First, Hector, leading the way, slipped and kicked a boulder down the hill. It whizzed 6 inches over Peter's head. If it had hit him, he would have fallen down the ravine and been hurt badly. Then, one of the guys in the group asked if he could go in front of me. Thankfully for me, not for him, I said yes, because he was attacked by a swarm of bees 2 minutes later. We did not know if these were killer bees or not, so everyone froze in fear as Eric frantically tried to swat the bees of his head. Fifteen minutes later and 20 wasp stings later, the bees left. Then it took us another 2 hours to get back up to the cross. In addition, I walked through a poison sumac bush and eventually got it all over my arms. We finally made it home at 4:30, starving, incredibly thirsty, and dead to the world. I fell asleep that night at 7:00. In bed, all I kept thinking about was why did that happen to us? Once again, it was an experience I'll never forget, but hope to God it does not happen again.



Joaquin, the powerful worker, who blinded his son.

Monday Jan. 18 and Tuesday Jan. 19:

Monday, we took the bus back to Mexico City for 8 hours and then went to bed back at the Quaker house. Tuesday we flew out of Mexico City. To make my trip even more memorable, I lost my plane ticket from Houston to New York. I was eventually allowed on the plane, but of course we sat on the runaway for 3 hours due to bad weather. I got to New York at 3:00 in the morning. The trip was the most incredible experience I have ever had and probably will ever have. It was so valuable to me and it has turned me into a huge advocate of worldwide volunteer help. I will never forget the people I met and the incidents I experienced.

f you are interested in going on a trip like this, contact Habitat for Humanity, 121 Habitat Street, Americus, GA, 31709. Telephone #-(912) 924-6935 Ask for Rob Odum, who is in charge of the global village workcamps. Or contact Scott Havens at 859-1912.

Root-Jessup fires up current affair debates

By Basam Aly '95
SPECIAL TO FEATURES

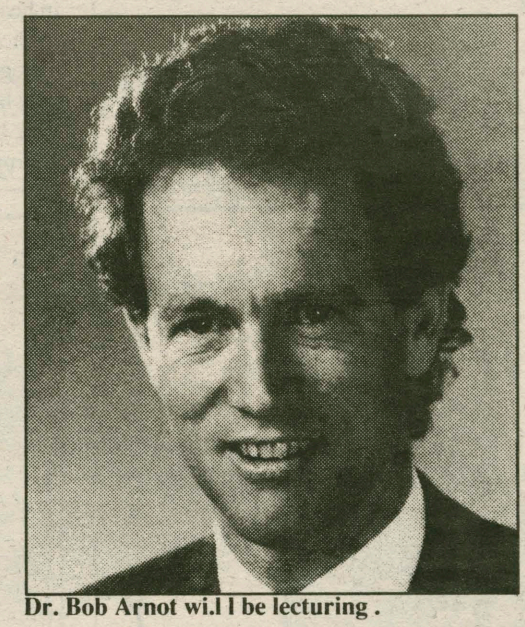
As students who witnessed the Edwin Meese and Nadine Strossen debate found out, the Root-Jessup Public Affairs Council is committed to presenting diverse, controversial events to the Hamilton community. This semester's guests promise to be among the most fascinating lecturers seen on the Hill.

The explosive issue of homosexuals in the military is explored from a personal perspective by Joseph Steffan, a former Annapolis cadet forced out of his chosen profession for his sexual orientation. Mr. Steffan was a leader at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, responsible for over 800 fellow cadets and excelled in his rigorous studies. This seemingly typical all-American success story was shattered when Steffan's commander ordered him to drop out because he refused to deny allegations that he was homosexual..

Steffan's talk, "Honor Bound" vividly describes his search for justice and his fight against the Naval Academy's hypocrisy and tradition of discrimination towards homosexuals, minorities and women. Steffan also reveals the Armed Forces' shocking attempts to suppress the underground gay communities within their ranks. In a time when gay rights have captured national attention, Steffan puts this issue in moving personal terms.

With the 1980's behind us, many have reexamined the era of fast money and loose ethics. Perhaps one of the most frequently discussed investigators is James Stewart, author of Den of Thieves. This award- winning reporter exposes the decadent and Draconian world of insider-trading and probes the lives of Ivan Boeski, Michael Milken, and Dennis Levine, Wall Street's robber-barons. Stewart startlingly reveals the depravity and extent of these crimes. Surviving a scathing media assault directed by Milken's attorneys, Stewart explains why, "we're all victims" in his lecture entitled "Ethics in Business."

Dr. Bob Arnot, CBS Medical Correspondent, has just returned from an investigative research trip to the famine-plagued nation of Somalia. Serving as a special correspondent there, "Dr. Bob," as he's been called on CBS Nightly News, 60 Minutes, and 48 Hours, has topped an impressive career in medicine and journalism. Dr. Bob's talk on Somalia will dispell many illusions about the country and illuminate our understanding of Somalia and the causes of its strife. He is a veteran lecturer about everything from aging to the Chernobyl disaster, to the environment. Dr. Bob captures his audiences with his intelligence, wit and charm.



Dr. Bob Arnot wi.l l be lecturing .

Finally, Root-Jessup has tentatively scheduled Jackson Katz, the unique "Feminist Fullback." Katz combines the seemingly paradoxical roles of an MVP all-state linebacker with the first degree granted to a man from the UMASS/ Amherst Women's Studies program. His talk, "Football, Feminism, and Other Contemporary Contradictions" explores the changing roles of males and females in the 80's and 90's. He focuses on "how men have and have not adjusted, both on a personal and political level." Katz serves on the board of directors of a battered women's shelter in Boston and has a masters degree from Harvard University, where he studied the connection between sports, masculinity and violence. Katz combines his personal experience in sports with his broad intellectual background to offer an informative and challenging look into some of the critical gender problems pervasive on college campuses today.

Look for these exciting events this Spring from the Root-Jessup Public Affairs Council. Our mission is to challenge and stimulate intelligent and informed discussions on campus. If you are interested in any aspect of Root-Jessup, please get in touch with Dave Oberster.

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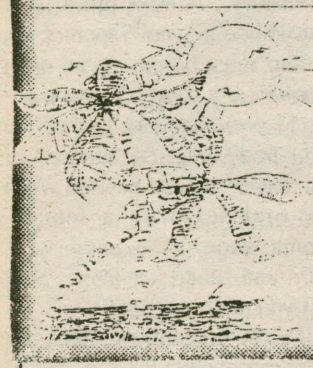

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Imposed awareness causes needless fear for heterosexuals

Awareness is a funny thing. When you go about things properly and tell people the plain truth, awareness can do a lot of good. When you use misinformation and tell people what you want them to hear, their new 'awareness' can be a major drawback to them leading intelligent, responsible lives. And so we close AIDS Awareness week here on campus having been told exactly what we should think and feel regarding the AIDS epidemic. The unfortunate thing is that very few of us realize what has been done; we grab for the politically correct tether being graciously offered to us by our overzealous neighborhood do-gooders.

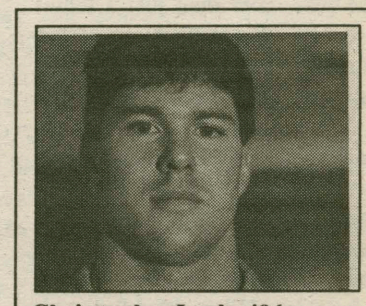
Perhaps the Dartmouth Review said it best when they described a recent AIDS awareness campaign as "ridiculous, hyper-paranoid propaganda spouted by self-anointed busybodies." Some AIDS campaigns feed on the public's fears and do nothing but build more fear in the process. In a recent book, Dr. Michael Jenike, a human sexuality expert described America's "excessive fear of AIDS" as detrimental to AIDS informational efforts. Donna Shalala, our Secretary of Health and Human Services, recently declared that if anti-AIDS efforts are not stepped up, there will soon be "no Americans left."

Indeed, a recent Gallup Poll showed that 68% of Americans labeled AIDS to be the nation's most serious health problem, despite the fact that the total deaths due to AIDS related conditions are outnumbered by the number of deaths *in one year* caused by heart disease 10:1 (770,000) and by cancer 5:1 (475,000).

No one in the known universe has ever found a cure for a virus, and most likely no on will in the near future. To pour tons of money into researching a cure for the HIV virus is pointless. What is even more insulting is that so much attention is now being given to the AIDS cause by our favorite celebrities that research on other diseases that kill and maim far more people are being systematically forgotten by the public in the wake of the need for AIDS research. I'm talking about horrible things such as cystic fibrosis, diabetes, muscular dystrophy, cancer, and heart disease - victims of which have a right to feel slighted. I am not advocating abandoning the AIDS cause, though. What our society must be honest and begin to do is recognize AIDS is a behaviorally transmitted disease, and our efforts should be directed towards modifying behavior.

But now there is a new aspect to AIDS awareness - namely, we are all in danger of losing our lives. We see it everywhere. The risk of heterosexual AIDS is growing - watch out - live in fear. I can not accept this. As George Will phrased it, "It is now politically correct and soothing to pretend that AIDS is now a democratic, meaning universal, disease threatening all equally." Much of the 'need' for heterosexual AIDS awareness arose from dire predictions of several years back that the heterosexual occurances of AIDS would explode and increase rapidly over the past days. This expolsion never occurred. Here it is from the proverbial horse's mouth, the official AIDS experts, the National Research Council on AIDS, AIDS would remain "concentrated" among "socially marginal groups." What are these groups? Here's the breakdown: of 106, 000 confirmed AIDS cases (only slightly dated, there are now approx. 117,000), 61% were homosexual, 21% IV drug users, 7% both of the preceeding, 1% hemophiliacs, 2% blood transfusion recipients, 3% undetermined, and 4.5% probably heterosexual. Of those 4.5%, approx. 3,300 people, most were Haitian, leaving 960 caucasian heterosexual cases. 960. 1/2 of 1% of all diagnosed AIDS cases were confirmed heterosexuals.

What does this mean? It means it is difficult to name any broad category of death that will take fewer lives this year than heterosexually transmitted AIDS. There will be (approx.) 19,600 murders; 12,000 fatal falls; 5,300 deaths by drowning; 4,900 due to fire; 4,000 due to poisoning; 3,500 due to suffocation; and 1600 due to firearms accidents. To go further into just one specific breakdown, the odds of a white,



Chris topher Leahy '96
Leahy's Law

middle-class, non-IV drug user who behaves safely becoming infected is the same as the odds of him or her drowning in a bathtub or being struck by lightning. This is no joke. When these fully documented statisics are combined with those of population and sexual behavior, we find that a heterosexual who has a "one night stand" with someone who has never been tested for AIDS and who uses a condom has a 1 in 50,000,000 chanceof contracting the AIDS virus.

Let us dispel the myth that anyone can get AIDS. AIDS is spread *only through blood products, shared needles, and sexual intercourse.* Heterosexuals who behave properly will . What does it mean to 'behave properly'? To avoid having sex with any member of a high risk group, to be responsible and honest in the choosing of a monogamous sexual partner, to practice safe sex, and to avoid IV drug use. It's as simple as that. Statistics show that you have to deviate from this pattern to endanger yourself. The vast majority of the few heterosexuals who have AIDS got it from IV drug use, not heterosexual sex. To look at it from another angle, through 1989, of the 18,000 people diagnosed with AIDS in New York City, only 8 were male heterosexuals who claimed risk free behavior - and the official city investigating committee doubted 7 of them.

People who try to turn the focus of the AIDS discussion away from homosexuals, who are still, by far, the major AIDS-suffering and spreading group in our country, are merely trying to assert their views on homosexuals and morality and to decrease the stigma placed on homosexuals.

I am not interested in empty gestures emphasizing symbolism over substance, nor do I want to downplay the severity of suffering of AIDS victims. The reality is, though, that the expected dramatic rise in heterosexual AIDS has not arrived, and probably never will. We need to redirect our concern towards the ways we can prevent the spread of AIDS, namely, countering high-risk behaviors and being honest with people about what will get them killed and what, most likely, will not. We don't need to scare people to death to get their sympathy or compassion. People generally find that on their own.

Johns profiles the "true sister"

I realize that the topic of feminism is a rather combustible issue these days, especially on this campus. Nevertheless, I feel compelled to voice an opinion of many males on this campus.

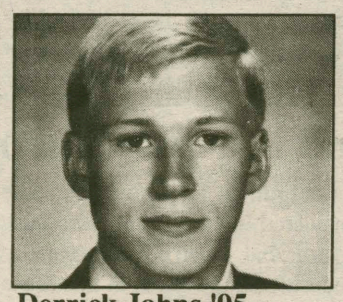
Several months ago I was able to view Camille Paglia on the Sally Jesse Raphael show. I must say her Feminist Philosophy was refreshing. Miss Paglia's views are distinctly different than that of Gloria Steinem. Miss Paglia and I both agree that Amelia Earheart and Katharine Hepburn are outstanding role models for America's young women to emulate.

According to Miss Paglia,"current Womens Studies programs in America's best universities are an obstruction to the feminist movement." I must agree, although I have not taken a Womens Studies course at Hamilton only because I feel I would not be treated fairly. I have made some external observations.

I get the sensation that there is an ample amount of "male bashing" going on throughout the Hamilton campus. All men are not rapists. The writing outside the mail center several months ago is clearly indicative of this phenomenon. "Dead frat boys don't rape." I have been accused of being closed-minded and stereotypical, but what about the group responsible for this action? Stunts like that create nothing but alienation in its purest form.

Although I have no idea what Gloria Steinem thinks personally of men, her public posture seems distinctly unappreciative. In the public Gospel according to Gloria, men are at fault for most of the problems in this universe, we are selfish, we are uncaring, and we have no issues of our own—and if we dare to argue with Gloria's perception of us, we are crybabies and badguys.

In light of Gloria's one sided attack on men in the United States, I have decided to indulge in some reciprocal stereotyping. In the midst of writing this article, it dawned on me that there are only two types of women in this world. The sister and the shrew. Menu A or menu B, Gloria is definitely a menu B item, her brain trapped, trapped in some kind of feminist lock that shows no hint of kindness or compromise, no desire to understand men and their problems in their culture. We have seen a lot of that attitude in the last decade, and a lot of us are quite tired of it.



Derrick Johns '95
From the Right

However, I also know many women who do not share Miss Steinem's seeming self-righteousness and self-absorption. They are not hardcore feminists and do not see men as oppressor and tyrant—they are women who like men, respect them, and enjoy their company, and who acknowledge that much feminist rhetoric these days is sexist and excessive.

So, men, let me make a modest proposal : the time has come in this very strange and divisive age for us to reach out and support our sister, to thank them for their support, to remember that they are out there.

But how do we find and identify the sister in our lives? What follows is the true sister profile. If a woman has the qualifications listed here, it means she is probably a stand up, back to back, no b———t sister. Which means she is invaluable.

1. She has a sexual sense of humor. No joke, this is the acid test of sisterhood. One of the finest sisters in my life demands a minimum of one dirty joke a day. She loves to laugh about sex. She is no prude, and in that sense, I say with complete pride she is one of the boys—which is what all good sisters are from time to time.

2. She likes men. Unlike the shrew who would have men banished (or at least under complete domination), the True Sister is a lecherous, loving, excitable woman who likes to do what I call comparative shopping. Her motto is "I get to look all I want." She was one of the first females to wear a "So many men—so little time" button. When the time comes she wants it buried with her.

3. She distrusts feminist rhetoric. The true sister may be an old fashioned feminist, a woman who works for equal rights. That's o.k. Most men want equal rights for all U.S. citizens. But the true sister distrusts feminist propagandists, especially the ones who bash men blame them for all the world problems.

4. She listens to and respects men. The True Sister is looking for more than a pretty face and body. She is curious about men and male thoughts. She likes to converse with men, to hang out with them, and enjoys their company. She understands and accepts certain differences in expression between the sexes, and those differences interest her. The True sister empathizes with men, can identify with men, and in so doing she breaks through certain sexual barriers.

5. She specifically supports fathers rights in this culture. This listing comes under "the last but not least" title. The true sister realizes that children need to be connected with their fathers as often as possible whether or not their has been a divorce. She campaigns for such things as joint custody and has no respect for mothers who alienate children from their fathers. The true sister is true to the idea of the family (father included) in any possible form.

The true sister is more than a dream. She exists. Let's love her and thank her.

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Letters to the Editor

February 12, 1993

Strait mourns Arthur Ashe

To the Editor:

Few people in history have rightfully earned the title of hero. For Black Americans' one of our greatest contemporary heroes passed away just a few days ago. Arthur Ashe was more than just a tennis player. He was a teacher, a protestor, and an inspiration to Blacks as well as all other people across the world.

When Ashe first burst upon the tennis scene, he was somewhat of a novelty. Who ever heard of a Black Tennis player? Especially one that was any good. Not only was Ashe good, but he managed to win three of the four Grand Slam titles during his career. He became one of the premier players of his day, until he was sidelined by heart troubles. Like a true hero, this did not stop Ashe. His tennis career moved to instruction. He went across the country and the world teaching tennis, not only in country clubs but in the cities as well. He opened the door for other Black Tennis stars such as Zina Garrison and MaliVai Washington. His coaching excellence also earned him a chance to coach a Davis Cup team, a prestigious honor reserved for the best.

Tennis many times appeared to be a sideline for Ashe. He focused his off-court efforts on the more lofty pursuit of racial equality. He led opposition and protest against the South African government and the system of Apartheid. Like many great heroes, he was jailed for his protest. This did not deter him. He instead renewed his fight and spread his message of racial equality to others. Teaching in the cities, lecturing in colleges, and educating Blacks to the hardships he faced in his life and the battles he had overcome. What he did not know was that his greatest fight had yet to come.

Ironically, the heart surgery which saved his life infected his body with the HIV virus, which led to his acquiring AIDS. When it was easy for him to quit, he did not. He instead picked up his racquet and served his message of fighting to cure the spread of AIDS into the hearts and minds of us all. Like Magic Johnson, Ashe became a visible symbol of the fact that Aids does not discriminate between a tennis great or anyone else. Unfortunately, AIDS was the one match he could not win.

Ashe's life outside of the tennis world transcended the greatness he achieved on the court. He paved the way for Blacks not only in the tennis world but in life. Along with Thurgood Marshall, Ashe's death marks the second great loss that the Black community has suffered in 1993. Ashe will be remembered as one of the greatest tennis players of his time. More importantly, he will live in the hearts and minds of the African-American community as a hero.

—Eric Strait '94

Cicero nostalgic for Reagan years

America's own Hollywood Left has officially issued the current moral sentiment: At last we have hope!

Yes, that is right —we finally have hope! An escape from the dismal, Neanderthalic, dark ages of the past twelve years. My own memory is so clouded with rage that I can barely recall how I managed to survive the reign of America's oppressors. Get real!!!

You people need to wake up and realize the toll that the undertakings of tinkering, liberal history revisionists is taking on this country. Twelve-and-a-half years ago, we elected to the presidency the greatest American of our time: Ronald Reagan. That's right —the Gipper. Reagan's influencefacilitated higher income and better living standards for ALL Americans, put into place the underpinnings of the downfall of the Soviet empire, and restored in Americans a sense of worth and pride that once was a staple of American citizenship. Four-and-a-half years ago, virtually everyone in the U.S. of A. recognized these things, and they felt that George Bush was the road to continued American happiness. Of course, Bush did **not** do what he was elected to do (namely, to carry on in Reagan's footsteps), and that is the reason for the current state of the union (which, incidentally, was not **that** bad before January 20). Pay careful attention to that concept: Bush's presidency represented a marked departure from the Reagan years. So, all the blubbering you hear from the liberals of "twelve years of Reagan/Bush trickle-down is enough...we want change!," is misleading. References to the past twelve years should be clearly demarcated: Eight Reagan years and four Bush years. (Translation: Eight years of glory and excellence and four years of mediocrity.)

History revisionists would have you believe that the Reagan years were times of "false prosperity," "military barbarism," and the "trampling of the lower classes." Do not empower these people to impugn President Bush —I simply feel that he should have exercised his executive powers more in the Reagan tradition. He is a fine man of outstanding character (yes —the "C"-word), as is Dan Quayle.

America does in fact have hope. Scratch that. America has certainty: The Reagan Legacy will continue in 1997 when Jack Kemp (the greatest living American who has not served as president) is elected.

Nick Cicero '96

Ribbon rejection denounced

To the Editor:

One week out of the year, America witnesses efforts to blossom public awareness of a dilemma that has recently pervaded our everyday life: AIDS. AIDS Awareness Week this year carries with it an increased urgency and importance with the tragic and unfortunate demise of AIDS victim Arthur Ashe, a respectable and charismatic individual that will be missed by more than just the tennis world.

The Hamilton community will witness various activities, discussion groups, and lectures pertaining to the epidemic that is sweeping the nation, victimizing all ethnic, racial, and social groups. On Monday February 8, volunteers and sponsors of this weeks' activities left an agenda with a small red ribbon stapled to the corner of the sheet in the majority of students' mailboxes. The ribbons are a symbol of your awareness and compassion for thousands of people who must deal with this fatal disease. Since everyone is a potential victim of AIDS, showing support for the masses already stricken by this deadly disease would only seem moral. Many people, however, ignorantly chose to throw away the ribbons in the mail center gargbage cans. I was utterly appalled when I fished out over fifty ribbons from the trash bins. I could only assume that this careless action is a direct sign of apathy and cold-heartedness. How difficult is it to pin a red ribbon (which students worked diligently on folding and stapling to hundreds of flyers voluntarily) to your jacket, bookbag, or clothes? We, the undersigned, can only ask ourselves, "Are people on this campus really that selfish?"

For those of you who did throw away the ribbons with the knowledge of what them symbollized, we can only admonish your selfish attitude and let you know of the utmost disgust we have for you. We are not advocating that a red ribbon will suffice for public understanding, but rather it is at least a single step among many to achieve respect and compassion for AIDS victims. By throwing them away, you are throwing away hope. If you or a friend was diagnosed with AIDS, how would it feel to be surrounded by a bunch of callous individuals who neglect your existence simply because you happened to be a victim?

Arthur Ashe stated on a videotape two days before his death that, "we do not want your pity, we want your understanding and compassion." Considering all this can be symbolized by a little red ribbon, now we ask you, "Is that really too much to request?"

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Sexual orientation and the question of "naturalness"

The question of whether to allow homosexuals into the military has captured the attention of the nation during the past few weeks. Numerous arguments have been offered both for and against the ending of discrimination against gays, lesbians, and bisexuals by the armed forces. One position often stated by those in support of the status quo is that homosexuality is "unnatural" and immoral and thus those who practice it shouldn't be permitted to serve. The belief in the unnaturalness of homosexual behaviour is very common in contemporary America. While the military debate is quite important, this article investigates the general position that "homosexual behaviour is unnatural and thus immoral."

Position #1: "Natural" defined as conforming with the descriptive laws of nature

There are several ways in which homosexuality might be considered "unnatural." These depend on the definition of "natural" that is used. One very common definition for natural is "conforming with the descriptive laws of nature." The laws of nature differ from human laws in that they are not prescriptive. Human laws are designed to bring about a certain form of behaviour. On the other hand, laws of nature, such as the law of gravity, only describe behaviour. Therefore, a natural law can't be violated. If a natural law is violated it isn't really a natural law. Homosexuality can't be unnatural in this sense because it does indeed occur. If anything, the descriptive laws of nature must be able to explain this practice as much as any other in order to *truly* be considered natural laws.

Position #2: "Natural"defined as not "artificial"

Another definition of natural is "anything which is not artificial." In this sense, artificial means something that wouldn't exist without some form of "human interference" in nature. A good example is the computer. However, there doesn't appear to be anything intrinsically wrong with going against nature in this sense. In many cases, what is artificial or unnatural is actually better than what is natural. For example, most people would prefer their homes to living in caves. By this definition, an item can not be considered immoral simply because it is artificial. Even if homosexuality *is* considered unnatural in this sense that doesn't make it immoral.

Position #3: Anything abnormal or different is "unnatural"

Some have argued that homosexual behaviour is not normal from a statistical point of view. Since homosexuality is "uncommon" it must be unnatural. However, over one half of American males engage in homosexual behaviour at some time in their lives (Leiser, 1987: 270). Part of this might be due to the increasingly hazy line between heterosexual and homosexual behaviour. In any case, most statistics available do indicate that the number of regularly practicing homosexuals is greater than, or nearly as large as, the number of left handed people. Who really is the anomaly? Considering homosexual behaviour condemnable from a statistical perspective also makes far less common characteristics, such as Olympic level athletic talent, unnatural and immoral, a clearly ridiculous idea.

Position #4: The use of any instrument or a bodily organ that conflicts with its "natural" purpose is unnatural

This position states that every organ, tool, or even creature has a purpose. The following of its purpose is natural. Going against its purpose is unnatural and can even be evil or harmful. For example, using ones head as a battering ram or as a dart board is rather harmful.

What is the "natural" purpose of the sexual organs? The most obvious answer is procreation. However, do the sexual organs have just one natural purpose? The answer seems to be no. The sex organs are clearly designed for pleasure based on the many nerve endings in those areas. They can also be used to express deep love. Even if the enjoyment of pleasure and the expression of deep love interfere with procreation there is no reason why either pleasure or love can't be considered the main purpose of the sexual organs. They are certainly not harmful in the way using one's head as a battering ram is. To call any one function of the sexual organs primary and the others "unnatural" is totally arbitrary. In fact, the whole concept of purpose is itself a human invention, and could be considered "artificial." There can be no "natural purpose" for an organ, or anything else for that matter, because every purpose is just a human construct, not something "in the world." Try asking a beaver what the purpose of her dam is. If you get an answer I would advise keeping it to yourself. The "natural" purpose of the sexual organs is whatever each individual would like it to be.

Homosexuality andReligion

The final position I would like to discuss is the claim that since God says homosexuality is unnatural and immoral it is so. One thing religious condemners of homosexuality often forget is that we have the freedom of religion in this country. For those whose religion doesn't regard homosexual behaviour as immoral, or for atheists, any condemnation of it based on religion is totally irrelevant. Making homosexual intercourse illegal because "God said so" would be completely unconstitutional.

Conclusion:

In many senses, the whole natural/unnatural distinction is a meaningless dichotomy. Everything that exists, does so within nature in a very real sense. Why should any activity done by humans be considered less natural than a bird building a nest or a beaver building a dam? Homosexuality occurs within nature. Beaver dams occur within nature. The human race, and *all* of its practices, occur within nature. *Nature includes everything that exists. To say that something is unnatural is to say that it doesn't exist. Homosexuality exists. Therefore, it is natural.* People ought to realize that their discomfort with homosexuality, the probably source of the position "homosexual behaviour is unnatural and thus immoral", is no cause to condemn an entire group of individuals. Until this is accepted, any possibility of the just treatment of those who practice homosexuality will be impossible.

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Attitudes

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Debate continues over U.S. Policy toward Haitian refugees: Open the floodgates...or Keep the gates locked

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In September of 1991, President Jean-Bertrand Aristide was overthrown as the nation of Haiti experienced another coup. As a result of the coup Haitians have sought to escape the oppression of the military coup leaders by fleeing to the United States of America. According to the New York Times, since September of 1991 we have intercepted over 40,000 Haitian refugees. In the month of October 1992 we intercepted 700 alone, and that was during hurricane season! It was in an attempt to stem this mass exodus that President Bush ordered the U.S. military to intercept the Haitians and send them back to Haiti. In the Presidential campaign President Clinton lambasted Bush for this policy and promised he would accept all Haitians with open arms. He has retreated from that promise, along with many others, by postponing the opening of America's gates. Thank god he has. The problem still remains; what do we do with the Haitians? The answer is (however cruel and unfeeling this may sound) to keep them on the island.

America has a problem. We are the most attractive country, in the world, to live in. Therefore we are one of the leading receptacles for refugees and applicants for immigration. That is the reason we have immigration quotas. Quotas help us to deal fairly with all those people who want to come to the U.S. Yet some charge that they are racist and that if the Haitians happened to be white we would accept them. That is simply stupid. In point of fact we have the painful task of turning many people away. For example in October of 1989 we had to do the same thing to refugees from Russia. According to Christianity Today, 150,000 to 200,000 Russians, who are white, attempted to come to the U.S. We accepted 50,000 as our quota allowed, and had to send the rest back. Clearly we do not have a double standard nor are we racist.

Another reason for not accepting Haitian refugees is money. Let us say we were to accept the 40,000 refugees that have attempted to come the U.S. already and then let us add the countless others who would come upon hearing that America had opened her doors. That would be a lot of refugees. Last month Newsweek reported that thousands of boats had been discovered (those were boats alone not people!),by Pentagon aerial photographs, in Haiti and that on just one day 352 Haitians had attempted to sail into Miami. What would we do with this torrent of people? Let us say we were to accept them, what exactly does that mean. Firstly we would have to provide them with temporary housing, food, daycare, education for those that can't speak English (and that would be almost all of them), etc. Well fine, who is going to pay for all this? The all popular government is already strapped for cash with a budget deficit in the trillions. President Clinton already has monstrous spending programs in the works to try and revitalize the American economy. We would only be spelling our own financial doom if we were to attempt to fund a project like this. This is especially true since we know the flood of refugees would be ongoing at least until Aristide was restored to power, and maybe not even then.

I am for the arrestment of the oppression of Haitians, I just don't think that we can afford to let them colonize southern Florida. Yet I think that the solution to Haiti's problem lies with Haiti. A former National Security Advisor to President Carter, Robert A. Pastor, has said it best: "...unless you deal with the problem of constitutionalism in Haiti, you will be creating a larger problem." Therefore my reccomendation to President Clinton is this: continue to keep the Haitians in Haiti, continue the economic embargo on Haiti, and continue (as President Bush did) to figure out with the OAS, how to answer Haiti's problem with establishing stable democracy.

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President Clinton has recently demonstrated that on the Foreign Policy front, there is little or no difference between him and the previous administration. During his presidential campaign he criticized George Bush for his treatment of the Haitian boatpeople. Yet, he has decided to follow Bush's policy, at least temporarily, and forcibly return Haitians to an oppressive, illegitimate military regime. Under the present conditions in Haiti, this policy is like handing a death sentence to people in search for a better life, or at least a moment of peace. Clinton allegedly wants to keep Haitians out of the United States because he fears that too many boatpeople would attempt the dangerous voyage to the coast of Florida. His policy is not motivated by a humanitarian ethos, however. He is simply attempting to keep the south of Florida stable, which is a legitimate concern. Clinton needs to show his constituents, especially those who voted for him because of his stance on Haiti, that even if he does pursue this contradictory policy, he will at least guarantee that the returning boatpeople will be safe.

Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the democratically elected President of Haiti in exile, surprisingly has agreed with both Bush and Clinton's policy. Aristide, however, wants Haitians to remain in Haiti in order develop a democracy. He firmly believes the United States and the Organiation of American States (OAS) should be doing more to destabilize the present military regime and guarantee a safe return home for the boatpeople. President Bush did very little to help the boatpeople. He allowed 10,500 of them to seek temporay asylum, while simply unloaded 30,000 of them in Haiti, like one would unload excess cargo. It is no wonder that the policy has been called racist. No one can remember Europeans ever being treated that way, and presently there are European economic migrants that are treated well. (The only other instance of forced repatriation in the US was Operation Wetback in the 1930s when the US forcibly sent thousands of Mexicans home. This policy was blatantly racist. What is the difference today?)

The OAS, including the United States, organized a widespread embargo in order to destabilize the military regime. Unfortunately, the wealthy pro-business military regime in Haiti has suffered very little because of the embargo. As one observer has noted, "the military randomly arrests people to show they are in charge." (The Monitor, Jan. 28) As is normal with most embargoes, it is the people at the bottom who have suffered most. As a direct result of the embargo and military oppression, over 60% of the Haitian children are suffering severe malnutrition.

The most devastating contradiction in the U.S. foreign policy is that this is an area where the United States could actually do something about the problem, like they allegedly are doing in Somalia. The Human Rights vilations are there, there is an illegitimate government, and there is an extremely popular President who has actually moderated his cries for equality in order to guarantee U.S. participation. Aristide must be reinstated as the legitimate President of Haiti. Until that happens, the U.S. must insist on having UN troops and observers guaranteeing that there are no human rights violations. Morevoer, the military regime must be indicted and taken to the International Court of Justice, a policy the U.S. for some reason has not agreed to. The only way to guarantee that the boatpeople will not migrate is by providing direct help to the Haitians in Haiti. If this does not occur, more people will migrate and unnecessarilly die. It is almost incumbent on President Clinton to do something, especially after his campaign remarks. Clinton must work with Aristide in an attempt to improve the living standards in Haiti. If not, the blood of many Haitians will be in his hands.

Meese, Strossen and the philosophy of free speech

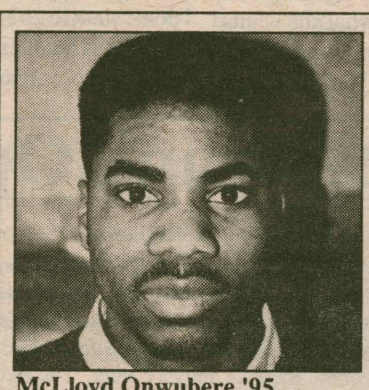
Political heavyweights ignore critical analysis in debate

Last night in Wellin Hall, Edwin Meese III and Nadine Strossen debated the subject of "The Future of Censorship in America." The debate centered around the fundamental question, "What constitutes freedom of expression" and "How free is it?"

This question was answered in diametrically opposed arguments by Meese and Strossen. Meese argued from a conservative perspective that upheld the legal definition (as defined by the Supreme Court) of freedom of expression. He defined this Constitutional right as speech which contains political merit and upholds the contemporary moral standard of society. Strossen's liberal argument regarded free expression as an exchange of ideas that should only be limited if it produces some type of imminent harm toward individuals in society.

Overall, the debate was enjoyable and thought provoking in nature. However, the central focus of determining the essence of freedom within expression overlooked an important philosophical principle of freedom.

Eighteenth century philosophers such as Locke, Rousseau, and Montesquieu argued that individual freedom should only be limited when it directly conflicts with the freedoms and rights of others in society. In applying this philosophical resolve to last night's debate it is apparent that freedom of expression is a Constitutional right that should be fully honored.



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Meese's flaw in his argument of the freedom of expression is that its validity is defined by its political merit which is very subjective. An individual can personally define political merit upon self-interests. Obviously, this will be unfair to those who are not in power to argue for an expression they personally see fit to protect. This subjective and vague definition of expression further allow people in political power to make value judgements on art.

Strossen argued that if these judgements were enacted years ago many of the works we considered today masterpieces would not be in existence. This same argument could be argued for their criteria of looking at the standards of modern day moral society. Societal standards continually change - work considered masterpieces during a particular time period could be considered vulgar trash during the next.

Strossen's argument of limiting individual freedom to imminent harm acknowledges the restriction of freedom relative to the well-being of other citizens. However, the disagreement with her argument is found in its definition of immient harm-What determines imminent harm? She did not give a definition to qualify her argument.

However, looking at freedom of expression from philosophical angle one is given a criteria to judge eminent harm. The act of expression should only be limited if in the process of acting it out rights of other individuals are broken. When laws are broken in order to prevent expression the act is deemed "wrong." Unlike Strossen's argument the philosophical principle of individual freedoms has given a criteria to determine whether an expression harms rather than waiting for harm to take place. Examples of this philosophical argument are found in protests and verbal attacks that violate the rights of others. Child pornography and libelous accusations fall in these categories.

The "shock factor" found in varied works of art and abusive speeches attacking minorities, religion, or gender are examples of expression that one could argue does not constitute freedom of expression. For individuals in these groups this form of expression contains higher level of crudeness and "isms" than worthy exchange of thoughts. Therefore, this form of expression should be censured or extremely limited.

The flaw in this viewpoint is found in the attempt of bending rights in order to suit the self-interest of the particular group. Individual freedoms,like the freedom of expression, become expendable rights. The purpose of protecting the individual rights through these embedded constitutional principle is worthless.

Only through the rigid and consistent enforcement of our constitutional rights can rights be truly realized. Individual freedom, especially freedom of expression, should never be limited or suppressed unless it violates other laws in its attempt to be realized.

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EDITORIAL

Let's talk about AIDS, Baby

Lorrie, a speaker who came to Hamilton on Wednesday, is a 38 year old woman from the Utica area. She has two healthy children, and she used to have a loving fiancé. She also has AIDS, and she got it from the father of her youngest child.

AIDS is a deadly disease that can strike anyone, any age, any time. You don't have to be a drug user, homosexual, or prostitute. It could happen to your boyfriend, girlfriend, roommate, or best friend. Or it could happen to you.

In a study conducted last year by the World Health Organization, statistics proved that of one million cases of HIV diagnosed in the beginning of 1992, approximately 90% were caught through heterosexual sex.

On the average college campus, from one in 300 to one in 500 students are HIV positive, whether they know it or not. Do some quick math — that means that probably about 4 people here right now are HIV positive. It's a scary statistic, but it's also true.

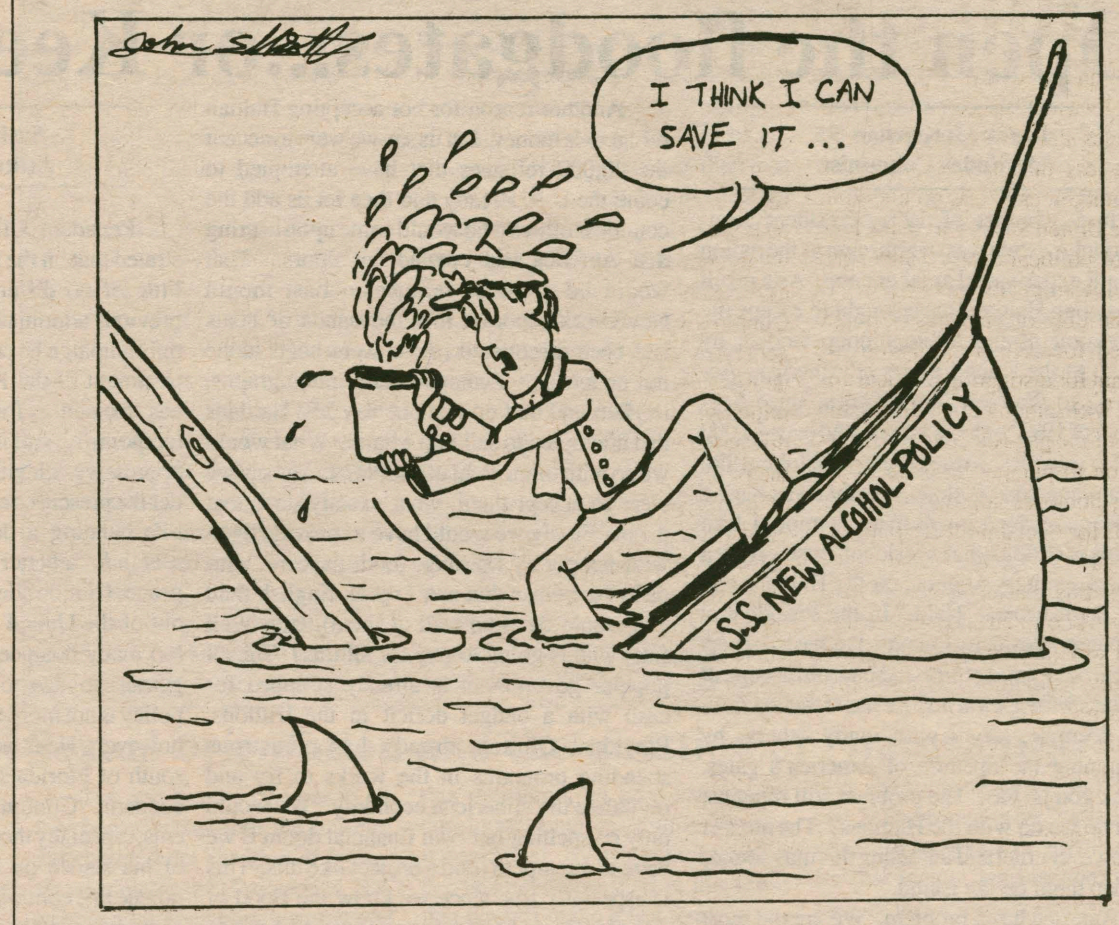
Within the last two years, cases of HIV in college students have doubled, and are expected to double again in the next two years. And in that same study, it was discovered that in over half the cases when two people actually took the time to talk about their sexual history, one of them lied. Talking doesn't do any good if nobody's telling the truth, especially when it's a truth that could risk someone else's life. Is it really worth it?

We all seem to think we're invincible, invulnerable, and infallible. "It won't happen to me," you say to yourself. But if you're having sex with someone, with anyone, it *could* happen to you.

Now this isn't to say that everyone should stop having sex. The reality is that Hamilton students are having sex, and they're going to continue to. Nobody has the right to say what you can and cannot do with your life, or how to do it, but being responsible is something that we are obligated to do. If not for your own sake then for your partner's. After all, how many of you have actually had an AIDS test?

There just aren't any excuses. Nothing good enough to risk dying for anyway. The statistics are real and we are at risk. If you're going to have sex, have safe sex. Use a condom. They're easy to find - go to the health center, ask your RA, have one delivered by a Peer Advisor if you find yourself needing one this weekend. Or buy your own. Yeah, it's embarrassing, but that's why they sell them.

There just isn't any reason not to use one. So what if you don't like them, deal with it. Consider the alternatives, and think about what you're doing before you do it. If you're old enough to be having sex, then you're old enough to be responsible about it. Wake up. AIDS is real and it is happening here.



Letters to the Editor

When physical strength overpowers ideology

To the Editor:

Wouldn't it be a wonderful world... everyone has there own "if..." statements to complete that sentence. I used to think that if people treated themselves with respect, that other people would follow suit. However, that's not the case. Some people are just luckier than others.

Something about a man, a woman, and a dark lonely room erases concepts like respect and equality. There's some mindset connected to that situation that makes the man think he has a right. His assumption alone is frightening, but there's another aspect that is even harder for me to swallow. The woman believes him. The emotional violation is so much harder to understand. Why? All of sudden the cards have changed hands and the woman can no longer make a decision? The lights go out and a woman forgets what she wants and needs to be told or shown. What the hell does the word "no" mean? If "no" doesn't mean "no" then why don't you guys get together and come up with a word that does?

Women can empower themselves with words and ideas in the classroom or out in the open. On our feet we can challenge anyone. We can not fight with fists. In this battle a man will always triumph. Statistics of violence against women have always been just that—statistics. There were never any personalities or names for me. Well all of a sudden there are and I'm scared. I'm angry at myself that I have been oblivious for so long and now it disturbs me to be so aware. What's even worse is that I am afraid I am going to forget all the anger, frustration, and fear that I feel right now for every other friend of mine and even those women who aren't. I don't want to become numb and grow to accept it as part of life. Even more, I don't want to go back to denying the violence is out there. I'm not saying all men are horrible —they're not. I'm not writing this to get all women to start packing pistols and I don't expect to convince anyone of the danger. You will all reach that conclusion on your own. Something will hit you hard and close to home. Then you'll realize that equal ground is a relative state determined by the situation and constantly changing. Be careful.

Tracy Chapman says it pretty well in her song, *Why . . .*

"Love is hate
War is peace
No is yes
and we're all free"

God, I want to go home.

—Susan Coole '94

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Kimba Wood falls victim to double standard

As an ardent Bill Clinton supporter, I was incensed by the myriad of articles and news reports that appeared less than a week after his Inauguration, each one proclaiming that the United States was in for four years of political disaster under the Clinton Administration.

The blitz of bad press Clinton received focused primarily on his penchant for instigating political upheaval with, among other things, his repeal of the gag rule, and his determination to pursue the issue of allowing homosexuals into the military. I, for one, am all for political upheaval.

For this reason, it disturbs me greatly to know that I now have cause to add to Bill Clinton's bad press. Certainly, I still think it is absolutely ludicrous to damn the Clinton Administration, even with *three* weeks of performance now open for evaluation. I am still very proud to have voted for Clinton. I am still firmly convinced that he has the capacity to lead this country on its way to renewal.

Mary Kate LeCam '94
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In fact, it is for exactly these reasons that I am so distressed to find that Bill Clinton is tacitly approving the continuation of one of the most revolting aspects of the Reagan and Bush administrations: gender-biased behavior.

It is no secret that there has long been a double standard used for evaluating men and women in the various arenas of the professional world, Capitol Hill very much included. However, it would certainly behoove a President who was elected on the premise that he was not going to tolerate discriminatory or exclusionary practices, not to engage in behavior that is evidently gender-biased.

It is clear that in failing to pay social-security and unemployment-insurance taxes for the illegal aliens whom she *and her husband* employed as household workers, Zoe Baird, Clinton's first nominee for attorney general, was guilty of knowingly and deliberately breaking the law. Admittedly, such behavior cannot be dismissed when the perpetrator is in the running to be the highest officer of justice in the country. It is also clear that a *couple* who report their net worth at a whopping $2.3 million ought to be ashamed of themselves for exploiting undocumented Peruvian nationals by paying them $500 a week.

What is not quite as clear is whether, were it *Mr.* Gewirtz (Ms. Baird's husband) who had been up for the attorney general's post, the issue of child-care would ever have been addressed to him. Frankly, in a country where the prevalent attitude towards child-care still assumes it to be expressly and unquestionably the domain and responsibility of mothers, rather than couples, or fathers, it seems doubtful.

Ms. Baird was in essence, (as thousands of other women have been) punished for attempting to acheive a balance between the domestic and professional spheres of her life. President Clinton's second nominee for attorney general, Kimba Wood, was similarly maltreated.

However, what makes the circumstances surrounding the dismissal of Ms. Wood's nomination even more infuriating is that, unlike Zoe Baird, **Ms. Wood did not do anything illegal.** That's right, not a thing. Ms. Wood *and her husband* employed an undocumented illegal alien at a time when it was completely legal to do so.

Not only that, Ms. Wood and her husband paid all the taxes which they were required to pay in relation to their domestic employee, and kept all their documentation regarding her in perfect order. But, in the words of New York Times columnist Anthony Lewis, "...after the Zoe Baird flap her (Ms. Wood's) entirely lawful actions were deemed politically dangerous."

Politically dangerous? Perhaps there is yet another double standard at work here. A standard by means of which the President, not solely as a man but as the most powerful political figure in the land, is exempt from the same sort of rigorous examination and judgement process that he expects other high-ranking public officials to be subjected to.

During the campaign, President Clinton was openly resentful of accusations made against him regarding actions in his past which many people felt could have a direct bearing on his ability to function in the Office of the President. However, Clinton had no qualms about dredging up facets of Ms. Wood's past that, once made public, could have had politically awkward ramifications for him, but had absolutely no bearing on her potential performance as attorney general.

On the other hand, perhaps this second double standard is in fact linked with the double standard used to evaluate professional men and women, whether they are in the public spotlight or not. *Mr.* Ron Brown, Clinton's Secretary of Commerce, although now publicly guilty of being remiss in paying taxes on his domestic help, has not even been reprimanded for what can only be termed blatant misconduct. I can't imagine why.

When a safe situation turns threatening

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Very few issues prompt me to take a stand or make a statement, being the middle of the roadist that I am. Lately, however, I've been hearing stories. It seems like everyone has one to tell. I have to feel lucky that I don't. The stories I'm talking about are of sexual assault and rape. You might be saying, 'sure, whatever, this kind of stuff always pops up at this time of year,' and maybe you're right, but maybe the whole truth is that this stuff goes on all year, all the time and eventually it starts hitting close to home.

It starts with a random story of an anonymous person, assaulted by someone you don't know. Next it's a friend of a friend's by someone you've undoubtedly seen before. Then it's the friend you sat with at dinner last night, by someone you know. People you know well. People who know each other well.

Factoring into this whole mess is alcohol: our friend and foe. Alcohol is a major activity on this campus, and I'm not making a value judgment on it. What I am making a value judgment on is the fact that it is so powerful an influence that it can warp a person's mind to the extent that neither the sound of 'no,' nor the signals of being too drunk to make that decision don't register and are ignored and violated.

A large percentage of the women on this campus have at one time been in a similar situation —in an intoxicated state and with a friend—someone they know and trust—that does not seem dangerous. I think we're all not fully aware of how quickly this situation can turn into a very frightening, very threatening one. We should be. And we should also be careful and unfortunately, slightly paranoid about where we are, in what state we're in, and who we're with, that person's state and how well we really know him.

As for the offenders, we can't stop you from drinking and we shouldn't have to. If you're sober enough to put it in, you're sober enough not to. Self control is a lifelong and essential skill. If you haven't got it at this point, get it. Now. Do you really want to be the one her friends glare at? You're not the rule, but the exception. Taking advantage of her when she is drunk doesn't prove anything, except that you're pathetic. You're friends don't think you're cool for this. They're humans and some of them are downright sensitive. She's their friend too.

Finally, do you really want her to be afraid of you? If you do, you're pretty childish. Try a little respect. Happy Valentine's Day. If you are a man and you think this has nothing to do with you, double-check. Stop and take a look at yourself when you're really drunk, or for a more objective view, ask someone else how you're acting. Be careful not to find yourself in the offender position, reading this article about yourself.

If you're a woman reading this, thinking that it doesn't pertain to you, think again. Chances are that you'll hear an account of someone you know before you get out of college. Help lower the chances that you'll have to tell you're story. Theoretically guys should respect women (even drunken ones), and get consent and be considerate. Theoretically, we shouldn't have to be paranoid. But theory won't become practice overnight. Be careful and watch out for each other.

Lies, damn lies, and the campaign promise

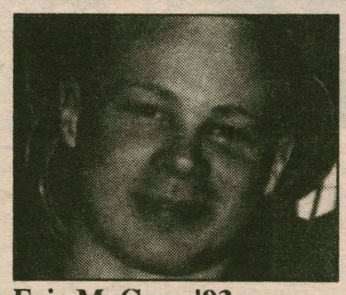
Whether Democrat, Republican, or observer, the world waits to see what President Clinton will do. Already his struggles with middle-class taxes, Bosnia, and homosexuals in the military have made national and worldwide headlines. After the recent inauguration I was disturbed to see several prominent television political analysts debating over which campaign promises our new president intended to keep. Has the campaign promise become so much a part of our system? The Random House Dictionary defines a promise as, "a declaration that something will or will not be done, given, etc., by one." Is a campaign promise truly a promise?

For a promise to be broken without interference of circumstance implies a lie, which the same dictionary defines as "to speak falsely or utter untruth knowingly, as with intent to deceive." A promise is backed by personal assurance-a lie implies personal deceit. In light of this a person would be reluctant to say that any official who has obtained the faith of the majority would lie to those he represents, and essentially, works for. But, whether absolutely demonstrable on the individual level or not, campaign promises seem made to be broken.

This problem can be easy to resolve; if we redefine a *campaign promise* as other (perhaps less binding) than our common *promise*, our problem disappears. What then if we leave *campaign promise* to indicate a *promise* as defined? Did it not originate as such? Assume so, and our representatives lie.

But most Americans would like to give our civil servants the benefit of the doubt. If in fact they do lie, can these lies be justified in altruistic motivation? For example, assume Clinton lies about some aspects of his plan in order to be elected into office, knowing that once in office, although *all* of his promises will not be kept, he is still acting in the public interest because he will do a better job than the other candidates. Does this justify his action? Perhaps not.

In his *A Treatise of Human Nature*, Hume argues that the breaking of moral codes for the reason of achieving greater good leads to chaos in the system itself. This reasoning is equally applicable to social constructs such as the institution of government. Elected officials, as most others, perform a particular duty with a given set of rules founded in a system of other persons with dependent or complementary rules (and I extend this to encompass the unspoken rules of the campaign). These rules are meant to function together. Breaking the rules to produce a greater good only works if *all others do not break the rules*. If exceptions are made the system is in danger. If more than one individual breaks his or her rules, even to promote a greater good, the system is in jeopardy of coming into conflict with itself and creating chaos. In the long run, the system, and the greater good, suffers.



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A broken campaign promise, without true unforeseen circumstance, begins the deterioration of the system of the campaign itself. Can a voter know what he or she votes for, what the candidate stands for, or how that candidate will work for the improvement of the country if the campaign promise is not to be believed?

You might say, however, that there are always exceptions, and I would agree. Rules are not infallible, and on occasion the breaking of a rule will result in a return that outweighs the disruption it causes. After all, as Hume states, the *promise* does not exist without the social conventions which create it-conventions which are imperfect. The number of *exceptions* currently being made, however, make this argument moot-there simply aren't that many immediately-post-election coincidental circumstances which would force a representative to break his promises.

I choose no sides; what Clinton, the Republicans, or any other representative of the people does will speak for itself. Whether lie or less than promise is up to the individual to decide, and to vote accordingly. I think it is worth mentioning in closing, however, that the universal example used to demonstrate *promise* in the Random House Dictionary is, "broken campaign promises."

Doonesbury

BY G.B. TRUDEAU

YOUR PARENTS CAME THROUGH, SAM! I'M NOW IN THE SOCIAL SECURITY LOOP! COOL, HUH?
YEAH!
WAIT'LL MY BABYSITTING BUDDIES HEAR THE NEWS! NO ONE'S GOING TO BELIEVE IT!
LISTEN UP, LADIES! GUESS WHO NOW HAS HIS VERY OWN SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER! TA-DA!
¿QUE?
QUOI?
¿QUE PASA?
OH... SORRY. JE SUIS KOSHER! ON-BOOKO!
HEY, ZONK!
CORNELL! WHAT'S UP, DUDE?
BOOPSIE SAID I MIGHT FIND YOU DOWN HERE...
YEAH, I'M OUT IN THE OPEN NOW! ON-BOOK! BY THE NUMBERS! COOL, HUH?
VERY. LISTEN, ZONK, I GOTTA ASK YOU SOMETHING.
SHOOT, MAN!
IT INVOLVES MARIJUANA...
THANKS, BUT I'M ON DUTY. I COULD LOSE MY SOCIAL SECURITY.
YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOME GRASS? I THOUGHT YOU QUIT A WHILE BACK, CORNELL.
IT'S NOT FOR ME, MAN...
I BAKE IT INTO BROWNIES FOR SEVERELY ILL AIDS PATIENTS. THE MARIJUANA HELPS BLOCK THE SIDE EFFECTS OF CHEMOTHERAPY.
EVERY WEEK I MAKE A BIG BATCH WITH BETTY CROCKER BROWNIE MIX. BUT LAST WEEK MY SUPPLIER GOT BUSTED. I THOUGHT MAYBE YOU MIGHT KNOW SOMEONE ELSE.
UM... WELL, LET'S SEE. HOW ABOUT DUNCAN HINES? OR PILLSBURY?
ZONK, TRY TO STAY WITH ME. THIS IS IMPORTANT.
YOU REALLY BAKE MARIJUANA BROWNIES FOR AIDS PATIENTS, CORNELL?
YUP. AT LEAST I DID UNTIL I LOST MY SOURCE.
BUT ISN'T IT ILLEGAL?
OF COURSE IT'S ILLEGAL. BUT NOT TO HELP SUFFERING PEOPLE WOULD BE IMMORAL. SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO ANSWER TO A HIGHER LAW!
UM...
WHAT?
WELL, I DON'T MEAN TO BRAG, BUT I'VE ALWAYS ANSWERED TO A HIGHER LAW.
I KNOW YOU HAVE, MAN. THAT'S WHAT MADE ME THINK OF YOU!
HOW'S YOUR DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WORK, CORNELL?
PRETTY SIMPLE, REALLY...
WORD'S GOTTEN AROUND, SO PEOPLE JUST CALL ME WHEN THEY START THEIR CHEMO-THERAPY...
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT, I MAKE A FRESH BATCH OF BROWNIES, CUT THEM UP, WRAP THEM AND DELIVER THEM TO AIDS PATIENTS IN THEIR OWN HOMES.
DON'T YOU WORRY ABOUT AIDS COOTIES?
YEAH, WHAT DO YOU DO— LEAVE 'EM IN THE DRIVEWAY?
UM... NO. WHY?
SO ANYWAY, I MAKE MY ROUNDS, DROPPING OFF MARIJUANA BROWNIES, USUALLY STAYING TO TALK...
I'LL FIX TEA FOR THE GUYS, MAYBE SHARE A BROWNIE...
WAIT A MINUTE! YOU EAT THE BROWNIES, TOO?
UM... OCCASIONALLY. TO BE SOCIABLE.
ARE YOU CRAZY? AND YOU DO THIS EVERY WEEK?
WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL, Z? A LITTLE GRASS NEVER...
NO, NO. THE CHOLESTEROL! THIS ISN'T THE '60s ANYMORE, CORNELL!
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Personals

My Mona Mi-
Happy Valentine's Day! I love you.
-Your Little Chiquita

JF III-
Sometimes you feel like a nut, sometimes you don't. Feeling nut
-Midnight Caller

Dearest Grace-
How sweet the sound...Add an author and his den—who need Williams as a safety? O Boy! Fish is great-especially when quic consumed. I'm smarter than you think because the boundaries no change. Any ne targets? Car's out of the snow! We must find Pat Your wretched sister,
-Jane

Jane-
Add a B on to the latest addition (addiction) and you'll have a good adjective for Jafar. Don't forget it was his snake that was behind everything. And by the way, I wasn't asleep at 4 am either...
-Grace

Lowie-
Please forgive me. This misunderstanding is eating at my heart. I hope our love can get us through this. Needing you,
-Bob

Dirk-
You don't have to hide our love through Bob anymore. Bingo didn't cut it. Needing you more,
-Lowie

Jett-
Feliz cumpleanos y feliz dia de san valentin! Te quiero y te extra mucho! Besos,
-Lisa

JT-
I am so happy that you are back, and that you brought so much happiness with you. Isn't it more fun being single? Who needs men, when we have life. I love you,
-Sleep Tight, Don't Let...

Freudin-
Hypnotising, mesmerizing me, You are everything I hoped you'd be...My love for you is limitless.
-C.

Honey-Bear-
I love you and I'm sorry about the other night. Let's make up th weekend.
-Mad About You

Hey Fox-
I miss you like crazy. Too bad you're not here to swing on Valentine's Day. Love,
-Your Czech Boyfriend

Cutie-pie-
I love you and miss you! Can't wait until the weekend...Happy V Day and Anniversary. Love always,
-H.

Jussi-
You came into my life and set my soul on fire. Whoever thought an iterracial relationship? Never! Oh well, the power of love can many things and change many views. Happy anniversary and Valentine's Day. Breaking down barriers with love,
-Monifa

Juanita-
28 'til spring break andonly 99 days 'til graduation. By the way, don't forget about our upcoming trip. De-li-cious,
-Carmen M.

Baby Nic-
You can now stop thinking that no one care's enough to send you personal. Happy Valentine's Day, Baby. Love ya,
-The Macro Friend

Monifa-
Three of my best three months at Hamilton, I've spent with you. Thanks for all the good times. Happy Valentine's. I'll always lov you.
-Jussi

Mike S. & Jim S.-
You're welcome.
-Tamara M.

PROPOSED REVISIONS OF THE HONOR CODE AND APPEALS BOARD

Honor Code

I. Honor Code Statement

Upon matriculation and once each year, all students must sign the following pledge:
By my signature below, I affirm [reaffirm] on my honor that I shall abstain from ***dishonesty*** ~~fraud~~ in all academic work. I have read and understood the regulations governing academic conduct and the Constitution of the Honor Court, and I shall abide by their provisions. It is my obligation to take action ~~when I suspect or witness~~, ***and to report*** violations of the Honor Code ***to the proper authorities.***

Students who suspect or witness violations of the Honor Code are obligated to report the suspected dishonesty to the instructor in the course, to the Chair of the Honor Court, or to the Dean of Students.

II. Academic Dishonesty ~~Honesty~~

Any form of academic dishonesty is a serious offense in an academic community. At Hamilton such dishonesty will often result in removal from the course, ***assignment of an RF for the course,*** or ~~in~~ separation from the College community, or ***some combination of these*** ~~both~~. It is essential, therefore, that every student understand the standards of academic honesty and how to avoid dishonesty by proper acknowledgment of intellectual indebtedness. The Court will not excuse a lack of awareness or understanding of what constitutes academic ***dishonesty*** ~~fraud~~. Academic ***dishonesty*** ~~fraud~~ includes but is not limited to:

1. Plagiarism: Failure to acknowledge ideas or phrases used in any paper, exercise, or project submitted in a course but gained from another person. Guidelines for proper documentation are available from many sources, ~~A copy of~~ ***including*** the *Hamilton College Style Sheet, which is provided to all first-year students and* may be obtained at the Library or at the ~~College Store~~ ***Reading and Writing Center.***
2. Misrepresentation or falsification of data in any course work.
3. Self-plagiarism: the submission of one piece of work in more than one course without the explicit permission of the instructors involved.
4. Cooperative or collaborative effort in course work without acknowledgment or the explicit permission of the instructor. This is not meant to inhibit discussion and debate of academic subjects either inside or outside the classroom.
5. Cheating on examinations or tests: to give or receive assistance from written material, another person, his or her paper, ***or*** any other source, or to attempt to do so, during an examination or test. The only exceptions shall be at the explicit instruction of the teacher of the course.
6. The submission of work as one's own that has been prepared by another person.
7. Forgery or falsification of academic documents. ***The Chair of the Honor Court, after consultation with the Dean of Students, may remand such cases to the Judicial Board.***

~~Under the provisions of the Honor Code, students are expected to take action against examples of academic fraud. Such action includes reporting the suspected fraud to the instructor in the course, to the Chair of the Honor Court, or to the Dean of Students; or, in the event of violations II.4 or II.5, by public acknowledgment. Cases of academic dishonesty shall be tried by the Honor Court.~~

III. Honor Court Constitution

1. ~~Jurisdiction~~ ***Purpose***

The purpose of the Honor Court shall be to uphold Hamilton standards of academic honesty and to insure protection of students' rights in questions of alleged violations of the Hamilton College Honor Code. ~~The Honor Court has jurisdiction over infractions by students of the Honor Code. It shall determine guilt or innocence in each case and shall assign disciplinary penalties where appropriate.~~

2. Composition

The Honor Court shall be composed of ***the non-voting student Chair and ten*** ~~nine~~ voting members, ~~six students, three faculty members, and a non-voting student Chair~~ ***consisting of seven*** ~~11~~ ***students and three faculty members.*** ~~For each case, the six sitting students shall be chosen by lot by the Chair from a pool of three seniors, three juniors, two sophomores, and two freshmen.~~ ***The students, two seniors, two juniors, two sophomores, and one first-year student,*** ~~Student members~~ shall be elected according to Student Assembly election procedures ~~representatives of returning classes in the preceding spring~~ ***during the spring semester of the preceding academic year,*** ~~and first-year representatives in the fall~~ ***except in the case of the first-year student, who will be elected during the fall semester of the current academic year. Student members of the Court may not be on academic or disciplinary probation.***

The Chair shall be elected in the spring by the outgoing Court ***from among candidates nominated by that Court.*** ~~Candidates for the Chair must have had prior experience on the Court. A secretary shall be elected from the Court in the fall.~~

Faculty members shall be elected by the Faculty at its ***May*** ~~April~~ meeting, one each year for staggered three-year terms, from a slate nominated by the Nomination Committee of the Student Assembly Central Council. The written consent of the nominees must be presented to the Academic Council with the slate at least two weeks in advance of the election. At least two candidates ***will*** ~~must~~ be ***nominated*** ~~presented~~ for each vacancy. ***If*** ~~In the event that~~ the Student Assembly is unable to present a slate, the Academic Council shall nominate candidates. In accordance with faculty rules, candidates may be nominated from the floor.

If the Chair resigns or cannot serve for any reason, the Court will elect a Chair from among its members. If there is a vacancy on the Court during the academic year, it shall publish notice of the vacancy in two consecutive issues of The Spectator ***and shall elect by a majority vote a substitute Court member from the names of interested and qualified persons responding to the notice.***

~~In case of a vacancy on the Court during the academic year, the Court shall solicit nominations for the vacated position. The Court shall be empowered to choose a representative for the remainder of the academic year from these nominations.~~

All members of the Court will be invited to every Court hearing. A quorum of the Court shall consist of ~~five students, one faculty member, and the non-voting student Chair~~ ***six voting members: five students and one faculty, plus the Chair, who shall not vote. If a quorum cannot be attained owing to disqualification of members for conflict of interest, the case must be scheduled at a time when it can be heard by the maximum number of Court members who are qualified to hear the case. In all other instances when*** ~~If~~ a quorum is not attained, the hearing shall be rescheduled.

Any member of the Court who believes that he or she has a conflict of interest in a particular case may disqualify himself or herself after consultation with the Chair. ***The Chair may also request a disqualification of a member of the Court by majority vote of the Court if the Chair believes that the member has a conflict of interest. In addition, the accused may request that the Chair seek disqualification of any member of the Court if the accused believes that a conflict of interest exists with that member. The accused must present to the Chair written explanation as to the nature of the alleged conflict of interest. The Chair will have final authority to determine whether or not to seek disqualification from the Court.***

3. Procedures

Throughout these procedures, the Dean of Students is understood to mean the Dean or his or her designate.

Violations of the Honor Code are considered to be infractions against Hamilton College~~.; accordingly, the Dean of Students, acting for Hamilton College, shall be responsible for presenting the case against the accused (the complainant acting as witness) in a fair and unbiased fashion.~~ Complaints against students for alleged violations of the Honor Code shall be presented to the Dean of Students or to the Chair in writing. The Dean of Students and/or the Chair shall investigate the charges and gather any form of evidence that may aid the members of the Court in reaching a decision. The Dean of Students and the Chair shall determine if the case warrants a hearing. In no circumstance will the Dean of Students or the Chair discuss the case with other members of the Court, except in the presence of the accused.

If it is determined that the case does not warrant a hearing, ***the case shall be dismissed.*** The complainant and the accused shall be informed in writing. A decision not to hear a case may be appealed by the complainant or the accused to the Appeals Board, which may direct the Court to hear the case.

If it is determined that the case warrants a hearing, the Dean of Students shall prepare a formal statement of the charges and of the evidence against the accused. ***The Dean of Students shall inform the accused in writing of the charges, the evidence, the range of sanctions available to the Court, and the following rights:***

a. to an expeditious hearing;
b. to be informed in writing of the procedures to be followed in the hearing;
c. to bring to the hearing an adviser, who must be another student, faculty member, or administrator not connected to the case, and who may not serve as a witness but may only participate in a closing statement;
d. to bring witnesses, but only witnesses who have facts that have bearing on the case;
e. to confront and question his or her accuser, all witnesses, or other evidence;
f. to testify, orally, or in a written document, or both, or not to testify;
g. to make a closing statement in the proceedings;
h. to request an administrative hearing, conducted by the Dean of Students and the Honor Court Chair, under the following conditions:
(1) the accused waives the right to an Honor Court hearing, and
(2) the accused admits a violation of the Honor Code, and
(3) the complainant and the accused acknowledge that they have no substantive disagreements about the facts of the case, and
(4) the violation is the student's first.

The Dean of Students and the Honor Court Chair will decide whether to approve a request for an administrative hearing. A decision by the Dean of Students and Honor Court Chair to deny an administrative hearing may not be appealed. Only the accused student, the complainant, the Dean of Students, and the Honor Court Chair may take part in an administrative hearing. The complainant may suggest a sanction. After the hearing, the Dean of Students and the Honor Court Chair will determine a sanction and the Dean will inform the student in writing of the decision. The possible sanctions are the same as those outlined in section III.4, except separation from the College. Any case that may result in separation from the College will be referred to the Honor Court. The decision of the Dean of Students and the Honor Court Chair may be appealed to the Appeals Board within one week of receiving written notification of the decision.

~~The Chair and/or the Dean of Students shall transmit the statement of charges to the accused. The accused shall be informed in writing of his or her right to be represented in the hearing by student counsel, to bring witnesses, to confront witnesses against him or her, to be informed of the procedures to be followed by the Court, and of possible penalties. The Chair shall convene the Court for a hearing to be held as soon as possible, but no sooner than one week following formal notification. The accused shall present a written, point-by-point response to the charges to the Chair at least 24 hours before the hearing. Witnesses to be brought to testify should be named in this statement when possible.~~

All hearings of the Honor Court shall be de novo, ***without regard to any matter previously developed in informal proceedings, and no decision about responsibility in a case shall be made on evidence other than that presented at the hearing.***

The Chair shall convene the Court for a hearing to be held as soon as possible, but no sooner than three workdays following delivery of the written charge to the accused. The accused shall present to the Dean of Students a written, point-by-point response to the charges at least 24 hours before the hearing. Any witness to be brought to testify should be identified in this statement. All points of the charges ***that*** ~~which~~ are not specifically denied shall be deemed admitted, and evidence, testimony, and witnesses regarding these points shall be deemed unnecessary in the hearing. ***If the accused chooses not to attend the hearing,*** the Court has the authority to hear the case without the testimony of the accused.

Normally, the Dean of Students will act as co-complainant with the faculty member or student who initially brought the complaint forward, and bear primary responsibility for presenting the case against the accused. If the faculty member or student who initiated the complaint then gives testimony in the hearing, he or she may be asked questions by members of the Court or the accused about that testimony. The faculty member or student lodging the complaint, however, may exercise the right to act as sole complainant for the hearing and present the case against the accused without appearing as a witness.

~~The accused shall have the right to postpone the hearing once at his or her discretion for up to one additional week. If the accused requests any additional postponements, the Chair and the Dean of Students shall meet to decide if the request is appropriate. If it is found to be inappropriate, the case shall be heard at the previously scheduled time. It is then the accused party's responsibility to be present. In the event that the accused does not present himself/herself, the Court has the authority to hear the case without the testimony of the accused.~~

~~The Dean of Students shall make certain that the accused is offered the assistance and advice of a member of the Faculty or Administration who is not connected with the case. The accused may have such an adviser present at the hearing as an observer without having the hearing open. Neither party may have legal counsel unless the Dean of Students gives written notice to the contrary at least three days before the hearing.~~

~~Normally, hearings shall be closed to observers. The accused may request, as part of his or her written response to the charges, that observers be present. In that case, the accused may designate up to four members of the Hamilton community as observers and the Chair may designate up to four "neutral" observers from the Hamilton community. Observers are not to take part in the hearing, and they are not be present during deliberation of the Court.~~

Hearings are closed to observers. Neither party may have an attorney present at the hearing.

The hearing shall proceed as ~~follows:~~ *described below.*

a. The Chair shall call the hearing to order, introduce all participants, and admonish all participants that they are expected to be truthful in all their testimony. No one may speak at the hearing unless recognized by the Chair, who shall have full authority over the proceedings.

b. The accused and the complainant*(s)* may be present during the presentation of all testimony.

c. The Chair shall introduce the formal statement of the charges and the accused's written response, copies of which shall have been provided to the members of the Court. The hearing shall consider only those charges in the written statement; new charges may not be introduced during the hearing. No proof shall be required for points ~~which~~ *that* are deemed admitted.

d. The *complainant(s)* ~~Dean of Students~~ shall provide evidence in support of the disputed charges, and may ask that witnesses be called. The accused may respond to that evidence, may ~~cross-examine~~ *question* witnesses, and may ask that witnesses be called on his or her behalf. The *complainant(s)* ~~Dean of Students~~ may ~~cross-examine~~ *question* the witnesses ~~brought~~ *called* by the accused.

e. Witnesses shall be present only during their own testimony, but must remain available for the duration of the hearing unless excused by the Chair.

f. Members of the Court may question any of the participants at any point during the hearing or may have any participants recalled for questioning at the discretion of the Chair.

g. The complainant, and then the accused, shall have the opportunity to make closing statements.

h. Following presentation of evidence, *the hearing will be closed and* everyone except members of the Court shall be dismissed from the hearing room. Participants may be asked by the Chair to remain available while the Court deliberates.

i. Deliberations of the Court shall proceed in two stages. First, *the Court will determine whether the accused student violated the Honor Code.* ~~a determination of guilt or innocence shall be made;~~ *A student will only be found in violation by a vote of at least* ~~a~~ two-thirds *of the Court members who heard the case.* ~~vote is necessary for conviction.~~ *If the Court determines that the accused student did not violate the Honor Code, the Chair will inform the accused student of the Court's findings.* Second, if ~~a guilty verdict is reached,~~ *the Court determines that the accused student violated the Honor Code, then* evidence of prior disciplinary ~~convictions~~ *action by the Honor Court* shall be entered into the deliberations by the Chair, *and the Court will determine a sanction by majority vote.* Prior *actions* ~~convictions shall have no bearing on the determination of guilt or innocence, but~~ shall be considered *only* in the determination of *sanctions* ~~penalties~~ and will normally lead to a more stringent *sanction* ~~penalty~~. ~~Disciplinary penalties which may be assigned by the Honor Court are described below.~~ *Upon conclusion of the hearing, the Chair will prepare a written statement of the Court's findings, with rationale, for the Dean of Students. The Chair may discuss the Court's rationale with the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students will administer any disciplinary action determined by the Court that modifies a student's status at the College.* ~~A brief written summary of the Court's findings shall be prepared by the Chair and/or the Secretary and shall be sent to the Dean of Students and to the accused within one week of the decision.~~

j. The Court may conclude its deliberations and arrive at a *sanction* ~~penalty~~ at the conclusion of the hearing, or it may, at the discretion of the Chair, postpone that conclusion for not more than 48 hours. Participants in the case shall be informed of the decision of the Court as soon as possible.

k. Deliberations of the Court are strictly confidential. Members of the Court may not at any time discuss *the facts of the case or* particulars of the deliberations with *anyone other than the Chair or a member of the Court that heard the case* ~~with any party to the case or with anyone else. The Chair shall make certain at the start of every hearing that this is made clear~~. Any member violating this provision will be dismissed from the Court by the Chair.

l. A tape recording shall be kept of the hearing, unless both parties agree in advance to a different and more rigorous method of preserving a record of the proceedings. *This document is an internal record of the College to be made available to the Appeals Board or to the President by the Dean of Students. A student preparing an appeal will also be allowed to listen to the tapes, under the supervision of the Dean of Students.*

~~m. In all cases where the penalty involves separation from the College, the Dean of Students shall present the case to the Academic Council which, acting for the Faculty, reviews and accepts the findings and penalty of the Court. In the event that the Academic Council does not concur, the Court shall be reconvened. Decisions of the Court involving separation from the College are not final until they have been accepted by the Academic Council.~~

~~n. After acceptance by the Academic Council in cases where it is necessary, the final decision shall be communicated to the accused and the complainant in writing.~~

m. *A summary record of the proceedings before the Honor Court shall be kept and a copy of the record supplied to the accused if requested.*

4. *Sanctions* ~~Penalties~~

a. *In the case of a first violation of the Honor Code, the Honor Court will assign a sanction commensurate with the nature of the violation. In all cases of a first violation, the student will be required to complete a tutorial on academic integrity. If a student does not complete the tutorial on academic integrity within a month of classes following notification of the sanction, the student will not be allowed to register for subsequent semesters, or graduate, until he or she has completed the tutorial. In addition, the Court may assign one of the following sanctions:*

(1) *In addition to any grade assigned by the faculty member for the particular academic work wherein the violation occurred, a record of the violation and all evidence pertaining to it will be kept in the student's file in the Dean of Students' Office until one year after graduation. A copy of any letter to the student from the Dean, and a report of the findings of the Honor Court, will be placed in this file, which will be open to the student's inspection. No record of the offense will appear on the student's transcript unless a second violation occurs.*

(2) *The student will be removed from the course, and a record of the violation and all evidence pertaining to it will be kept in the student's file in the Dean of Students' Office until one year after graduation. A copy of any letter to the student from the Dean, and a report of the findings of the Honor Court, will be placed in this file, which will be open to the student's inspection. No record of the offense will appear on the student's transcript unless a second violation occurs.*

(3) *The student will be removed from the course and the notation "RF" placed on his or her transcript, which will record that RF means "Removed from the course for academic dishonesty." When the cumulative average is calculated, RF will carry the numerical value of FF. In addition, a record of the violation and all evidence and correspondence pertaining to it will remain a part of the student's permanent record, which will be open to the student's inspection.*

b. *In the case of a second violation, after action by the Honor Court, an RF will be recorded permanently on the student's transcript for both courses in which a violation occurred, and the student will be dismissed from the College. The notation "Expulsion for academic dishonesty" will appear on the transcript.*

c. Other actions: In addition to or in place of the above actions, the Honor Court may assign such other ~~penalties~~ *sanctions, including suspension,* as it deems appropriate. It is understood, however, that such other actions will not involve the assignment of grades by the Court.

~~The Court may assign any of the following penalties:~~

~~a. Warning: A formal statement that the behavior of the student is unacceptable and a warning that further infractions will result in more severe disciplinary action. A warning will be an appropriate penalty in some cases of a first violation of section II.7. A letter of warning will be placed in the student's permanent file.~~

~~b. Removal from the course: The transcript shall carry the notation RF: Removed from the course for Academic Fraud. When the cumulative average is calculated, RF will carry the numeric value of F. RF shall normally be given for academic fraud which the Court judges to be intentional.~~

~~c. Removal from the course: The transcript shall carry the notation AF: Removed from the course for Academic Fraud without numeric penalty. AF shall carry no numeric value in the computation of the cumulative average. AF shall be given in exceptional cases of fraud where mitigating circumstances suggest that RF is not appropriate. AF shall also be considered if the accused, having been charged with violating either section II.4 or II.5, admits guilt.~~

~~d. Expulsion: Permanent separation from the College. An application for readmission shall not be considered. "Expulsion for Disciplinary Reasons" is recorded on the official College transcript. Students who have been expelled are expected to leave the campus within 48 hours unless a special extension is granted by the Dean of Students. Expulsion shall normally be given in the case of a second Honor Court conviction when mitigating circumstances were found to have played no role in either of the aforementioned violations of the Honor Code.~~

5. Records

The *written* record of the case shall consist of the written statement of the charges, ~~by the Dean of Students, the letter from the Chair to the accused~~ the written response to the charges by the accused, any documentary evidence, the summary by the Chair of the Court's actions, and ~~the tapes or other record of the hearing~~ *and the letter from the Dean of Students informing the accused of the Court's findings. This* ~~The written~~ record ~~shall be kept in the student's file, in the files of the Honor Court, and in the files of the Dean of Students~~ *will be filed in the Dean of Students' Office and will be open to the student's inspection.* ~~The taped record shall be kept in the office of the Dean of Students for one year~~. *The taped record is not part of the student's file and shall be kept in the office of the Dean of Students, to be destroyed after adjudication or decision in any appeal.*

After the week has elapsed during which an appeal could be made, a brief account of the case shall be made public by the Chair. The name of the student or students shall not appear. ~~A copy of this announcement shall also appear in The Spectator once at the end of each semester.~~ If an appeal is made, publication shall be postponed to await the outcome of the appeal.

6. Instruction of the Community

The Honor Court shall make provisions for interpreting this system to new students upon their entrance into the College. This shall be organized by the Chair and will include one session during new-student orientation and class discussions ~~of plagiarism~~.

7. Amendment

This Constitution may be amended by the procedures set forth in Article 13 of the Constitution of the Student Body of Hamilton College. The adopted amendments are contingent upon ratification by the Faculty.

Appeals Board

1. Jurisdiction

The function of the Appeals Board is to ascertain that hearings conducted by the Honor Court and the Judiciary Board have been conducted fairly, in accordance with the procedures outlined above, and without undue bias. Thus, the grounds for an appeal are limited to substantial, ~~and~~ prejudicial, *or* procedural irregularities in the conduct of the original hearing. The Board will not substitute its own judgment for that of the original hearing body, nor will it concern itself with the possibility that others might have arrived at a different judgment. Its terms of reference extend only to investigation of the procedures by which the original judgment was reached. Decisions of the Appeals Board are final.

2. Composition

The Appeals Board shall be composed of five members: three faculty members and two students. Faculty members shall be elected by the Faculty at large for a three-year term, one vacancy arising per year. Student members shall be elected by the student body the previous spring, according to the Student Assembly election procedures. It is strongly preferred that students with prior Honor Court or Judicial Board experience be elected to this Board.

A quorum shall consist of three members: two faculty members and one student. ~~The Dean of Students may attend meetings but shall not have a vote.~~ The Chair shall be one of the faculty members, designated by the Dean of the Faculty.

3. Procedures

A student subject to disciplinary action may appeal a disciplinary decision within one week of being informed in writing of that decision. The appeal must be made in writing to the Chair of the Appeals Board, *with a copy to the Dean of Students,* and must state in detail the reasons for the appeal. The Chair shall inform the respondent (~~the Dean of Students or~~ the Chair of the Honor Court or Judicial Board) that an appeal has been made and shall invite *the Dean of Students and* the respondent to ~~a~~ make written statements to the Appeals Board.

Within one week of receipt of the appeal, the Chair shall convene the Board to determine whether the appeal shall be considered. In making that decision, the Board shall have access to the written records of the case. Acceptable grounds for an appeal ~~include~~ *are limited to:*

a. Substantial new evidence.
b. Procedural irregularities in the conduct of the hearing.
c. Prejudicial bias in the Court or the Chair.
d. Excessive sanction, only in cases of suspension or expulsion.

The appellant, respondent, *and Dean of Students* shall be informed in writing of the decision.

If the Board decides to consider the appeal, the Chair shall schedule another meeting for consideration and disposition of the appeal. The Board shall have access to the records of the hearing. Normally, the appellant, respondent, *and Dean of Students* shall not appear before the Board, though they may be summoned at the discretion of the Chair.

The Appeals Board may decide:

a. To uphold the original decision.
b. To remand the case to the appropriate court for rehearing. This shall normally be done when the appeal introduces substantial new evidence ~~which~~ *that* was not available at the time of the original decision, or when there is a procedural irregularity *that* ~~which~~ could be corrected in a rehearing.
c. To remand the case to the appropriate court or to the Dean of Students with a recommendation that the penalty be modified, together with an explanation of why the original penalty is deemed inappropriate.
d. To modify the decision and/or the penalty. This will be done only in extraordinary cases when, in the considered opinion of the Appeals Board, prejudicial bias or ~~other~~ procedural problems would make it impossible for the appropriate court to reach a fair decision.

The appellant, respondent, *and the Dean of Students* shall be informed in writing of the decision and of the grounds for the decision.

4. Records

The record of the appeal shall consist of the letter of appeal, the written statements from the respondent *and the Dean of Students*, the written decision whether to hear the appeal, and the outcome of the appeal. This record shall be appended to the written record of the original disciplinary action and shall be kept with it.

The Appeals Board shall make a brief account of its decision public. Names shall not appear.

Panic fills alumni gym

By Chad Thompson '94
A&E staff writer

The sounds of Widespread Panic filled Alumni Gym last Saturday night. The band, presented by the Program Board, played for a solid two and a half hours with few lags in the energy level. The band played songs from its two current albums, *Widespread Panic* and *Space Wrangler*, including the Talking Heads' tune "Heaven". The band also provided a hint of what to expect from their soon-to-be-released third album, *Everyday*. Panic played its most well-known songs, such as "For Your Love" and "Pigeons", within the first half hour of the show. The band filled most of the show with a collection of songs played in the style that Widespread Panic and its cohorts, the Spin Doctors, Phish, and Blues Traveler are known for, extended length jams or improvs. The addition of an acoustic guitarist, and bongo drummer to the typical four-piece band, gives Widespread greater freedom to create a unique sound and rhythm while they tinker with their groovy instrumentals.

The Alumni Gym crowd appeared to know exactly how they were going to absorb the music. If one wanted to release the greatest amount of danceable energy, then in front of the stage and next to the stack of speakers was the place to be. The people who enjoyed simply soaking in the Panic sound perched themselves atop the bleachers. Finally, those who wanted some space to do their own little dance, or simply enjoy from afar, could watch and listen from the rear of the gymnasium. The fact is that anywhere in the gym, it was hard not to get into a Panic-ky mood.

I had seen Widespread Panic last summer at the HORDE concert at Jones Beach. I enjoyed that exhaustive day-long concert of "developing" bands. But my opinion is that Panic, and the rest of the HORDE sound, play much better in the smaller, club-like venues. I don't think you can feel their energy as well in a 8,000-seat theater as you can up close and personal. Any band from music-rich Athens, Georgia, has a better-than-good chance to make it big. I think Widespread Panic proved it on Saturday night.

Note: The Program Board would love to know what you thought of the Widespread show and, in general, bands playing at Hamilton. We need your input to continue to bring good music.

Upcoming Events

February 12

- 7:30pm - *Mediterraneo* KJ Auditorium $

- 8pm -Senior Project. David Mamet's *The Woods*.

-10 pm - Film. *Under Seige*. Sponsored by the Samual Kirkland Film Society. KJ Auditorium. $

February 13

- 7:30 - *Under Seige. KJ*

- 10 pm - *Mediterraneo. KJ*

February 14

- 7:30 - Mediterraneo. KJ

- 10pm - Under Seige. KJ

February 15

- 3 & 7:30 pm - College Course 300 Film: Jean Renoir, *Rules of the Game* (France '39). KJ Auditorium.

February 17

- 3:00 & 7 pm - College Course 300 Film: Orson Welles, *Citizen Kane* (U.S.A. '41). KJ Auditorium.

February 18

- 8 pm - Senior projects. Bronson Picket in Sam Sheppard's *Cowboys #2* and *Killer's Head*, and Rachel Weinstein in Brecht's *The Jewish Wife*. KDL

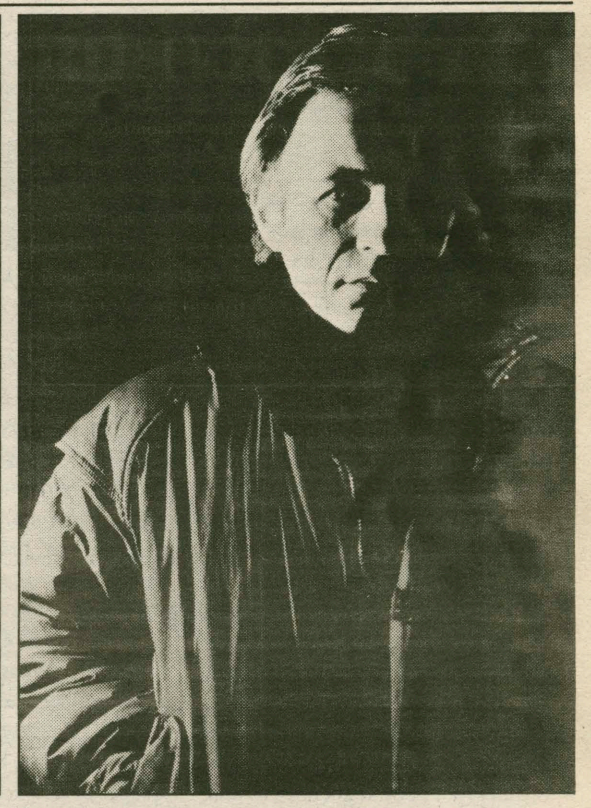


PHOTO BY JIM POLASKI

Anne Hills and Michael Smith to perform at K.A.C. Coffehouse.

Kirkland Art Center brings Midwest bluegrass and folk to Clinton

A twin bill featuring two midwestern singer/songwriters, Anne Hills and Michael Smith, is planned for the K.A.C. Coffeehouse on Saturday, February 13 at 8pm. This is the first time that either of these two accomplished, nationally known performers have appeared at the Kirkland Art Center and each will perform separately for a set.

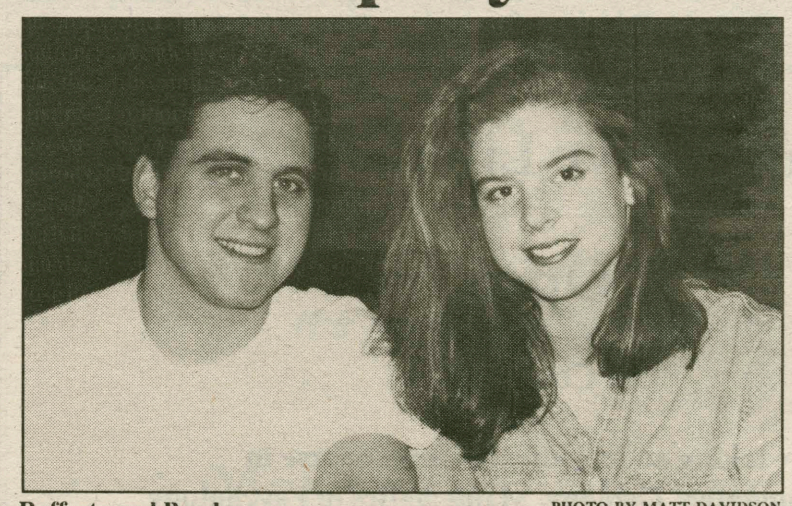
Smith, who now lives in Chicago, is a notable composer and singer who has two albums on Flying Fish records and recently composed music for and appeared in the Steppenwolf production of *The Grapes of Wrath*, which played in major cities and received Tony awards in 1990.

Smith's songs, one folk favorite is *The Dutchman*, have been recorded by such artists as Steve Goodman, Claudia Schmidt, Jimmy Buffet, David Allan Coe, Josh White Jr., and, in 1991, an album of his songs were recorded by Anne Hills. Hills' distinctly rich and melodic voice and warm good humor have been featured on other recordings and at such venues as Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center and on National Public Radio, as well as hundredes of concert and festival stages throughout the United States. From her highly acclaimed tours with Tom Paxton and Bob Gibson as *The Best of Friends*, to her successful solo career, Anne consistently garners praise for her natural, self-assured singing and performance style.

Tickets to this concert are $7 and can be purchased in advance. The coffeehouse series began in 1982 and features nationally-known bluegrass and folk performers. Concerts are held in the gallery of the Art Center amidst the current exhibit and, when space permits, in a cabaret setting with candlelit tables and fresh flowers.

-compiled by staff

Seniors play in *The Woods*



Rafferty and Bender

PHOTO BY MATT DAVIDSON

Hamilon College seniors, Sarah Rafferty and Howard Bender, will perform David Mamet's *The Woods* on Friday and Saturday, February 12 and 13, at 8 p.m. in Minor Theater. The event is open to the public at no charge.

The performance fulfills the students' senior project requirement, which is the culmination and synthesis of the students' theater concentration. Rafferty, a double major in theater and English, and Bender, a theater major, have collaborated to research, analyze, publicize, produce and perform Mamet's play.

The Woods is considered one of Mamet's best dramas. Nick and Ruth, a young couple, experience a faltering romantic weekend at a lakeside cabin in the woods. The young lovers have trouble communicating on the porch of the cabin, which Mamet compares to "an arena." Eventually, the couple comes to physical blows, causing Ruth's non-stop efforts to turn futile, and the fearful Nick to be destroyed. Yet, through an immense distance, the disintegrated couple clings to each other in need.

-compiled by staff

A cover is worth a thousand words

By Darrell Beebe '94
and Dénes House '93
A&E staff writers

Hello, and welcome to another breath-taking edition of D&D on C, the only comic review that you can shake a stick at. This week, we have something entirely new, or the same old stuff, however you want to look at it. *The Legacy of Superman #1,* and *The Sensational She-Hulk #50.* For something really new, the effervescent Darrell R. Beebe will espouse in italic type, and the pre-pubescent Dénes House will postulate in plain type. And now, he ee eee ee ee ere's the article.

Well, it sure is strange typing in normal type! I could get used to this, though.

Let's start with Marvel Comics' offering this week. *Sensational She-Hulk* has been high on my "must-read" list for quite some time, now, since John Byrne has been writing and drawing the book. After eight issues, John left She-Hulk, presumably for good. Then, after sagging sales and even worse material, The John was back, and so was the magic. Well, this is John's last issue (again) of She-Hulk, and boy, am I gonna miss that big lug. This issue is a corker, though, the best I have seen in a long while.

The issue starts out with the premise that Byrne is dead, and She-Hulk must pick another artist to replace him. The search for that artist makes up the plot of this, the funniest She-Hulk in quite some time.

I have to admit that I haven't really been following She-Hulk. But this issue is sure hard to miss, under a beautiful black and metallic green cover (one of Marvel's best "Special Covers" yet!). The search for a new artist and writer is side-splitting as many of the top names in the industry are unmercifully spoofed (by themselves, no less!). We get a look at Frank Miller's, Adam Hughes', Walt Simonson's, and Terry Autin's, among others', version of Marvel's hottest female character (next to Psylocke). And if you think the art is hilarious, try some of the accompanying text! All in all, it is a fantastic romp through the Jade Giantess's own unique universe.

Psylocke? She's not even GREEN! Watching Frank Miller savage his own style is, in itself, reason enough to buy the book. Adam Hughes, Dave Gibbons, and Walt Simonson turn in some hilarious stuff, as well. We even get a peek at a page from Howard Mackie, who thankfully is a writer, not an artist. Wendy Pini's segment raises a chuckle, and Howard Chaykin's, an eyebrow. The only thing that was really disappointing about this issue was the team they actually are going to use. Michael Eury, best known as an editor for DC, has a writing style worthy of "What The—?", and threatens to turn She-Hulk into something much less than the subtle comedic tour de force this issue shows it is capable of. Penciller Todd Britton's work, again, belongs in "What The—?" It is not bad, for a gag book, but for subtle humor? Not quite.

Last Word: If, for nothing else, buy it for page 16. Trust me, you'll know why.

Last Word: And for page 1, and for page 4, and for page 9...

The Man of Steel may be dead, but that doesn't mean that the great city of Metropolis (which seems to have more trouble than any other city in the DC Universe, except perhaps Gotham) is left without its savior. Or in this case, saviors. The Legacy of Superman *is a one-shot comic that tells the tale of how the cities' other defenders are coping in their fight without the Big Guy. Several talented writers and artists have teamed up together to tell the separate tales of Waverider, Sinbad, Rose and Thorn, Gangbuster, and Guardian.*

Of the five, I'm torn between the Guardian tale (by Karl Kesel and...WALT SIMONSON!) and the Waverider story (by Dan Jurgens and Trevor Scott) as to which is my favorite. Both feature excellent art, but Waverider stars in a tale of emotion, while Guardian's story is one of plot. Jurgens loves his Waverider character, and focuses mainly on him and his maturation as a character, while Kesel wants his script to enhance the "Superman's clones" storyline. By the way, the scuttlebutt is that the Big Red S will return as four (count 'em) clones, but just which one is the real Superman, that is anyone's guess. This book seems to bear that rumor up. The Gangbuster story has poor art but a good story, as does the Sinbad tale, but the Thorn story has average plot and art.

Last Word: I am not an avid Superman fan and therefore am not up-to-date with his supporting cast, but this comic has helped to familiarize me with these characters in an exciting and intelligent manner. No, honest. This isn't sarcasm. BTW, great Art Adams' cover!

Last Word: The cover alone is worth half the price. The other half comes from the first and last tales. So what if the rest is cannon-fodder? Buy it! And tell 'em that D&D sent ye.

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DJ Spotlight

By Jeannine Reynolds '95
A&E staff writer

Probably not many Hamilton students know that the longest running show in WHCL history is the Contemporary Christian Music (CCM) program. Entering its ninth year, the show has consistently remained in the hands of the Christian Fellowship members on campus, and has infiltrated WHCL airwaves with a unique blend of prayer, biblical passages, and inspirational sound. Current senior deejays Dénes House and Steve Sours, along with assistants Walter March, Sarah Conrad, and Andrew Bowmann, seek to promote the ongoing theme of "sending Christian messages out by music" through their Saturday 10-12 am show, "A Joyful Noise!"

House and Sours agree that their show differs from others on the WHCL program list in many areas. While the primary difference is the message conveyed, the variations expand much further. Usually the show opens with a prayer and proceeds with various sorts of music reflecting all realms of the Christian music industry. It is this characteristic that distinguishes CCM, consisting of such favored artists as Petra, Harvest, Don Francisco, Rachel Rachel, and White Heart, from the often misused term "Christian Rock." Between episodes of song or random chatter the deejays might also offer a biblical passage that encapsulates a personal experience or suitable message for their listeners. House also adds that every week he promotes the Star Trek Next Generation episodes, much to the chagrin of Sours.

Though Star Trek sets these two roommates apart, they have shared their zeal for Christianity and music on the WHCL staff for four semesters. House assisted on some of the original CCM shows in his first year at Hamilton, and Sours joined in his sophomore year. Aside from being integral promulgators of the longest running show on WHCL, the CCM deejays still have to rely solely on their own collection of music to satisfy their listeners. They manage, however, whether through their humorous interludes or serious reflections, to have a great time with the show.

Despite the enjoyment and fulfillment they gain from their show, neither House nor Sours seeks to pursue a career in communications. As senior Studio Art and French majors respectively, they enjoy their show as a release and a mission away from the rigors of their workloads. Thus with their jovial attitudes, yet serious subject matter, they christen the airwaves with, to quote Sours, "the good news of Jesus Christ," aiming toward any individual who cares enough to listen.

Article Pick

Randy Fields

-compiled by Julie Saslow '94

Randy came to Hamilton in 1980 to serve as the cook for Sigma Phi. In the last thirteen years he has become the resident manager and a member of Sig, as well as a much needed addition to the arts at Hamilton and the community. Randy brings his vast professional experience to the area through his work with the Summer Stage in Rome, the Capital Theatre, and various independent productions at Hamilton.

Currently Randy is beginning work on *Frankie and Johnny in the Clair de Lune*, which will be produced later this spring, sponsored by Sigma Phi. This show will feature Sarah Rafferty '93 and Howard Bender '93. Randy's past work on campus includes directing and performing in four shows at Hamilton and the recent production of *The Crucible*. If Hamilton is lucky, Randy Fields will continue to bring his professional experience and love of theatre to the Hill, ensuring that being a patron of the arts should be an enjoyable experience.

Training: Graduated with a degree in modern dance from Coker; studied under Alvin Ailey and Henry LaTang, among others.

Experience: In addition to touring the country with many productions, he has choreographed for summer stock, professional dinner theatre, regional theatre and three off-Broadway shows. He has worked professionally since first arriving in NYC in 1974, and continues his associations and work with local theatre companies.

Influences: The movie musicals of the 1950's; Gene Kelly, Fred Astaire, Gene Nelson. Influenced by such modern dancers as Alvin Ailey and Elliot Feld. Being at opening night of *A Chorus Line*.

Likes: Cooking (sometimes); his Newfoundland "Patty"; and mystery novels.

Dislikes: Cooking (sometimes); academic theatre; science fiction.

Belief about theatre: He enjoys theatre until it is no longer a pleasurable experience.

His dream show to direct: Any Sondheim musical

Favorite Movie: *The Ghost and Mrs. Muir*

Theatre anecdotes: While doing production of *Oliver!*, the gun and back-up gun failed, so Bill Sykes had to die of an impromptu heart attack!
During Godspell, in the middle of his solo, the cordless mikes that were being used began to pick up a truck driver's CB frequency, so the song was interrupted with a chorus of "Breaker, Breaker!"

Dream for Hamilton theatre: To see more variety in the productions; allowing more people to become involved with theatre.

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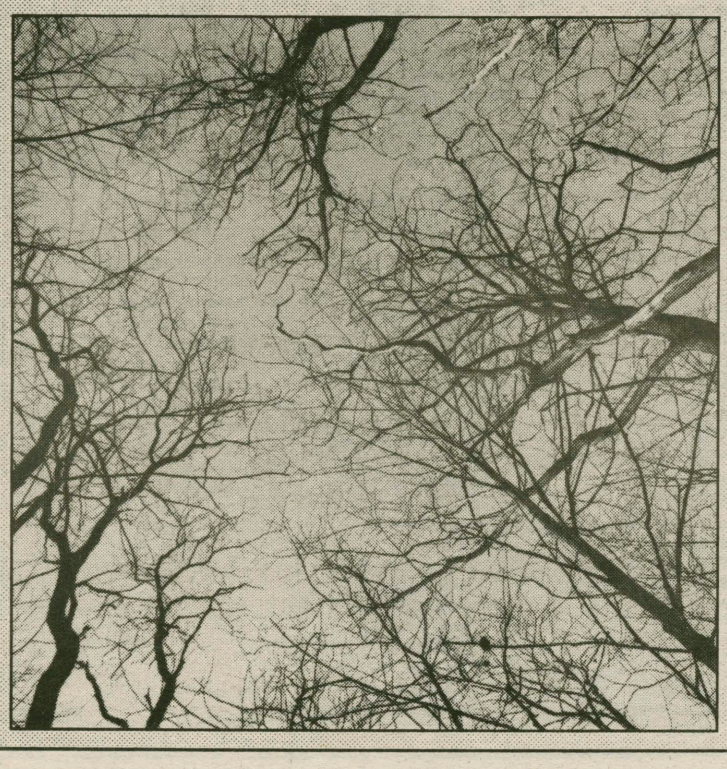

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12 *Friday*

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13 *Saturday*

8:00 **Senior Project**. David Mamet's *The Woods*. Howard Bender and Sarah Rafferty. Minor Theater.

14 *Sunday*

11:30 **Interfaith Service of Remembrance for Persons Who Have Died of AIDS**. Chapel.
1:00 **Newman Mass**. Father John Croghan. Chapel.
1:00 **Hillel Brunch**. Azel Backus House.

15 *Monday*

3:00 **College Course 300 Film**. Jean Renoir, Rules of the Game (France '39). Also shown at 7:30. K-J Aud.
4:00 **Lecture**. "Social and Environmental Implications of the North American Free Trade Agreement." Amy Church '93, Skidmore College. Red Pit, K-J.
7:00 **International Student Discussion Group** for students adjusting to a new culture/country. Peer Advising Office, Dunham Basement.
7:00 **ACOA** (Adult Children of Alcholics) **Meeting**. Penney Room, BCC.
8:15 **Assertiveness and Self-Confidence Discussion Group**. Peer Advising Office, Dunham Basement.

16 *Tuesday*

12:00 **Newman Mass**. Father John Croghan. Chapel.
4:00 **Panel Discussion.** "Current Issues in National Security Affairs." U.S. Army War College Panel.
5:30 **Chinese Table**. Rm. 104, McEwen.
7:00 **Washington D.C. Career Day Informational Meeting**. Red Pit, K-J.
7:00 **Return from Study Abroad Discussion Group**. Peer Advising Office, Dunham Basement.
8:00 **AAUP Journal Club Lecture**. "Scratching the 'Itch to Build': A Patron and His Family Chapel in Rome." David Butler, Director of Emerson Gallery. Assembly Room, BCC.
9:00 **Meditation Group**. Rm. 104, McEwen.

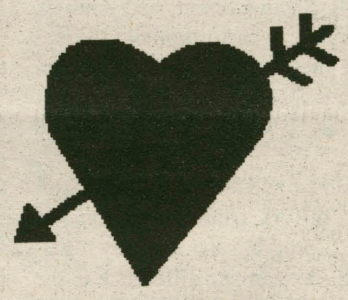
17 *Wednesday*

3:00 **College Course 300 Film.**Orson Welles, Citizen Kane (USA '41). Also shown at 7:30. K-J Aud.
5:00 **ACS Table**. Rm. 104, McEwen.
7:00 **Eating Concerns Discussion/ Support Group** (Women Only). Peer Advising Office, Dunham Basement.
7:00 **Amnesty International Meeting**. Rm. 104, McEwen.
8:00 **GLBSA Meeting**. Keehn Co-op Lounge.
8:00 **African American Awareness Play**. "Our Young Black Men are Dying and Nobody Seems to Care." Chapel. Reservations: x4194, x4021.
8:15 **College Life 101 Discussion Group**. Peer Advising Office, Dunham Basement.

18 *Thursday*

12:00 **Newman Mass**. Father John Croghan. Chapel.
4:10 **Lecture**. "Third World Feminisms: The View from Turkey." Red Pit, K-J.
7:00 **Sexual Assault/Harassment Support Group for Victims or Friends** (Women Only). Peer Advising Office, Dunham Basement.
7:30 **Hamilton Environmental Action Group Meeting**. Green Cavity, K-J.
8:00 **Senior Projects**. Bronson Picket in Sam Shepard's *Cowboy's #2* and *Killer's Head*. Rachel Weinstein in Brecht's *The Jewish Wife*. Kirkland Dorm Loft.
8:15 **Bereavement Support Group**. Peer Advising Office.

Happy Valentine's Day Sunday February 14th



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The Temp.....7:10,9:35
Homeward Bound.....6:40,8:45
Groundhog Day.....7:05,9:30

Clinton 853-5553

Used People.....7:00, 9:15

Paris 733-2730

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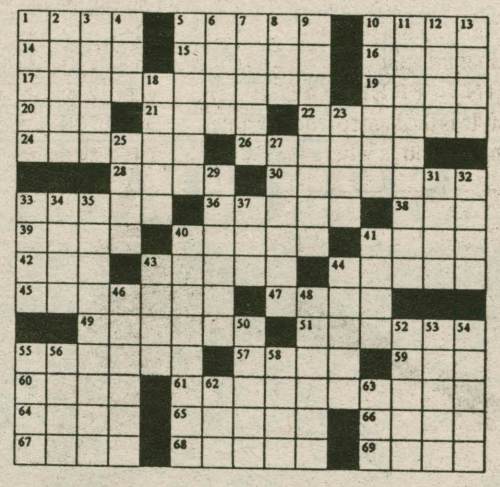
Weekly Crossword

" NCAA Contenders "

By Gerry Frey



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20 Long time
21 Charlotte & Norma
22 Comfort
24 Wagers
26 Behaves theatrically
28 Utilizes
30 Walk faster ?
33 Speaks carelessly
36 Standard & _____
38 Formerly Clay
39 Confined
40 *Hurricanes' School*
41 Let stand
42 Hearing aid
43 Horse or bean
44 Bed linen
45 Goblet
47 Bone:Comb. form
49 Leotards
51 Fall
55 1992 Wimbledon Champ
57 Rip
59 Decompose
60 Virginia Senator
61 *Hoya's School*
64 Mr. Guthrie
65 Repent
66 On the ocean
67 Was
68 Backs of the neck
69 German articles

DOWN
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2 Allocate
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4 Exist
5 Delight
6 Wash
7 Herb
8 Gal of song
9 *Tigers' School*
10 Wide scarfs
11 *Cyclones' School*
12 Actor Baldwin
13 Simple
18 Apparel
23 Baseball catcher Mel & family
25 Actor Russell
27 What the cow cow says ?
29 Small piano
31 Robert _ _____
32 *Panthers' School*
33 Special:Abbrev.
34 Jacob's wife
35 Not assessable
37 Cereal grain
40 *Wolverines' School*
41 Dog's name
43 Swine
44 Retail business establishment
46 Capital of Portugal
48 Theatrical platforms
50 Small porch
52 Ordinary language
53 Let down
54 Heating vessels
55 Saudi
56 Veep
58 Sea eagle
62 Timetable abbrev.
63 Bit

Women's swimming prepares to host state championships; face challenge from Ithaca

By Marty Reichgott '95
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Sixteen parts make up this whole. Sixteen intricate pieces, none more important than another, for without just one there is no unit. One may shout louder than the others and one may shine brighter on a given day. And some pieces just play their roles, happy to be a part of this complex and simple puzzle. All the pieces have their own color and shape, yet they share the same goal: to cling together in a champioship shape and to piece together a crown.

The Women's Continental Swim Team is piecing together a formidable squad that may lead them all the way to the top. The competition is familiar as Ithaca and Union both return as the chief rivals to Hamilton. Coach Thompson's crew that placed second at last year's meet has been decimated by personel losses that include seven point scorers from a year ago. The addition of talented first-years, however, gives the Continentals a solid attack with very few holes. The key to victory for Hamilton will be the senior leadership of Val Gude, Kristen Michaelson, Marla Jenks, and Gretchen Ramos who need to swim well in their final collegiate meet if the hosts want to catch Ithaca. The Bombers swam away from the field in 1992, winning the State on their way to finishing fifth in the nation. This season, they handled the Continentals early in the season to hand Hamilton one of their three duel-meet losses. Union also edged the Blue, avenging last year's defeat. The Dutchies look to improve on their third-place finish from one year ago.

Here's a breakdown of what the Continental attack should look like:

SPRINT FREESTYLE: The freestyle is the heart of the Continental line-up and is where they should score most of their points. First-year Anne Griffen broke school records in the 50 and the 100 and is in the hunt for a state title in both. Sophomore Kate Quick holds the school marks in the 200 and 500, and has the speed to challenge for a top-5 finish in the 50, 100, or the 200. Seniors Jenks and Ramos could rack up valuable points where both will be shooting for finals in all three events. First-year Stephanie Reynolds has shown the improvement in recent meets that could propel her into the scoring ranks. The quartet of Griffen, Quick, Jenks, and Ramos will form strong 200 and 400 free relays that will score big finishes in finals.

DISTANCE FREESTYLE: The Continentals have a fearsome quartet in this event as Quick joins sophomore Maura Dalton, and first-years Liz Sichol and Laura Brereton to give the squad a balanced attack. Sichol broke the school record in the 1000 freestyle and seems primed for better things that may inlude a top-5 finish in both the 500 and the 1650. Sophomore Dalton, who owns the school record in the 1650, is having a standout season and is looking to improve upon her two top-5 finishes from one year ago. Quick will shoot to duplicate or better her second place finish in the 500 from a year ago. Brereton has molded into a jack-of-all-trades that includes distance freestyle. A top-16 finish is not out of reach for her.

BACKSTROKE: The Big Blue has been hurt by the graduation of Nationals qualifier Karin Ramstaad, but has picked up some new faces that will help ease the loss. Michaelson, a Nationals qualifier herself, is looking to final in the 50, 100, and 200 and hopefully earn a return trip to the big meet. Sophomore Shannon Clare is a potential top-16 finisher and may score higher in the 50. First-year Lynn Separk is fast improving in the 200, and can score points in all three distances.

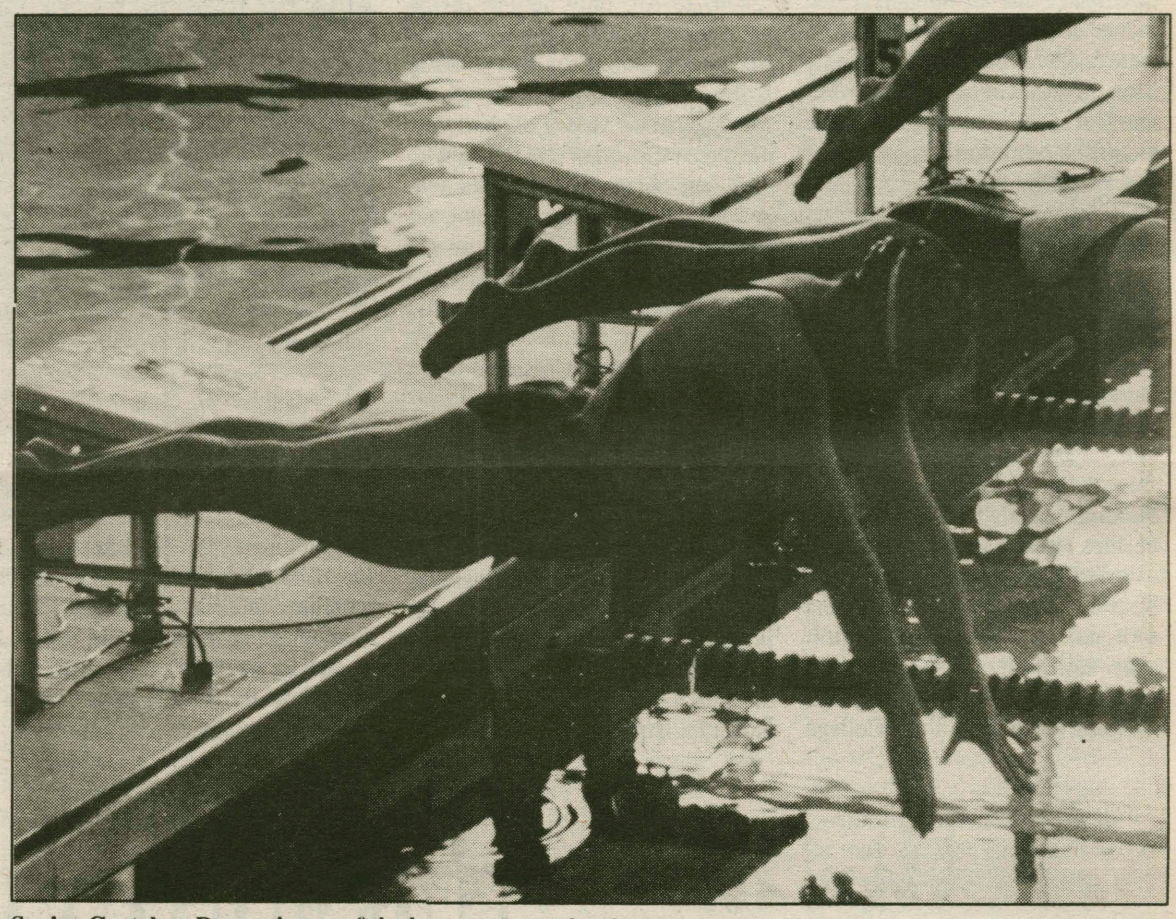
BUTTERFLY: Fly is one of the events most decimated by losses, but the Continentals still have some strong potential in the event. Dalton and Gude have been recording fast times all season and may have a shot at placing 1-2 in the 200 event. Dalton has already hit the B-cut for Nationals and Gude recorded a fast 2:14+ against Vassar to put her in contention. Dalton sweam a 1:01+ against Vassar to place her as one of the favorites in the 100. Brereton is another possible scorer as she continues to drop her times in both events. Sophomore Sara Qutb also has a shot to score in the 200.

BREASTSTROKE: This may be the hosts weakest event, though more for quantity than quality. Junior Patricia Wocjik, school-record holder and National qualifier in the 100, is the best sprinter and the relay leg for both the 200 and 400 medley relays. Gude has the drive and the ability to win the 200 if she swims it. And Ramos has swam some breaststroke and could score points if called upon to do so.

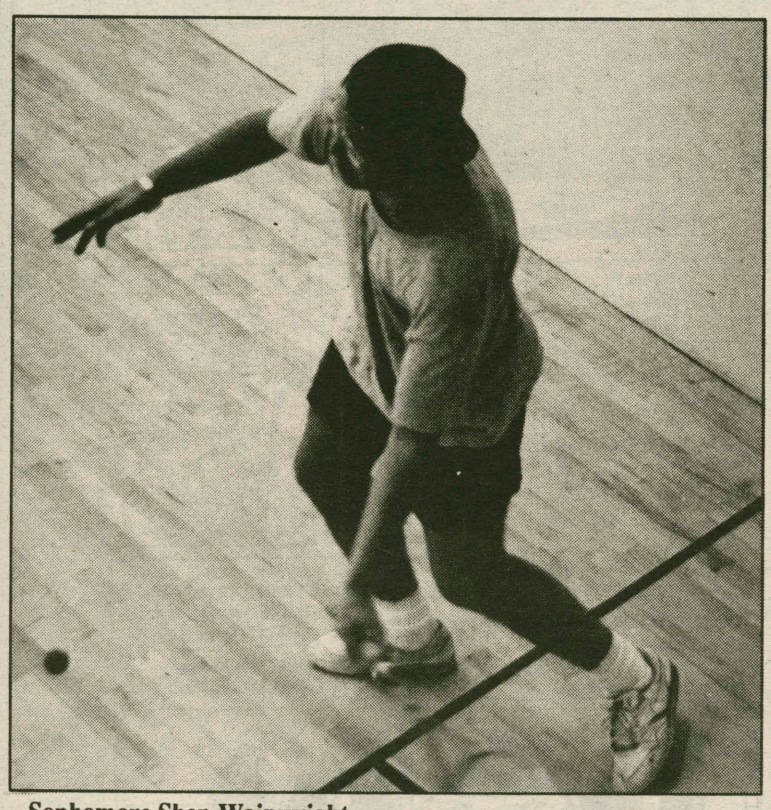
INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY: Again it's All-American (400 IM) Gude leading the charge, where she will try to snatch both the 200 and 400 distances. Michaelson and Quick can score valuable points in the 100 and 200, as can Brereton and Clare, if needed.

DIVING: Junior Megan Hughes broke both of her own school records in mid-season. She should score top-16 on both boards, and could sneak past a few competitors with a strong meet. First-year Betsy Knice has quickly improved on the 1-meter and has an outside chance of scoring.

The small squad for Hamilton will have to swim well if they want the title. The good news is that Ithaca has not swam fast since the early season defeat of the Continentals, and may be hard-pressed to find the speed that has deserted them thus far. All the excitement starts February 18.



Senior Gretchen Ramos is one of the keys to the spring freestyle attack of the Continentals. PHOTO BY ANDY SINGER



Sophomore Shep Wainwright PHOTO BY ANDY SINGER

Men's squash defeats G.W. and Colby

By Macrae Sykes '95
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

Over the weekend, Men's Squash traveled to Wesleyan. They played well winning 9-0 against George Washington and 8-1 against Colby. Dave Sykes (9-4) played extremely well winning in both matches 3-0, but twice coming close to shutting out his opponent in a single games.

Following a tough match last week, Hobart was back on the hill on Wednesday to play the Continentals. With a few changes in Hamilton's order causing confusion to Hobart, the starting nine almost won the match losing respectfully 6-3. Two players, Walt Higgins (9-4) and Mark Milhench (6-7), went to five games before losing, making the match closer than the score indicated. Josh "Bubba" Everdell also played a strong match winning 3-1. Mark Havens (8-5) and Macrae Sykes (11-2) also added victories. It was a stellar performance by all for the last home game of the season.

As promised, I will continue the player mid-season reports.

Having practiced all summer, Mark Havens has watched the hard work produce for him in matches where he is currently (9-4). So far this season he has shown tremendous poise and some of the best strokes on the team. Big wins have come against Hobart (3-2) and Colby (3-0). He is currently in a duel for second and third spot on the team, and next year should see much action at #1.

As one of the two shining freshman recruits, Pete Stein has followed Bubba's lead with smooth strokes and relaxed play. He played well against Bard and Colby. With a record of 3-4, Pete looks to add talent to the ladder.

Playing right below him at #12 is Craig Selimonic. Although he hasn't played much he has made good use of his time winning impressively at Colby in a five game series. He looks to end the year by qualifying in the #10 spot and traveling to Princeton for the Nationals.

Having just moved up to the #10 spot on the team ladder, Ryan White is now on the traveling squad which will be going to Rochester next Thursday. Ryan had strong matches against Bard and George Washington. He looks to end this year with more progress and hopefully a higher roster spot.

Coach Whitsel has done an excellent job once again this year. The team is currently 8-5 and headed to the Nationals where they hope for another C division bid. Her conditioning and constant attention to the team have helped them focus and win tough matches. "Laurie is a really tough coach, but we play well against other teams, and that is all that matters." says co-captain Bubba. Indeed they have.

Diving duo of Haas and Henry lead men's swimming

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regained her school-record holding form in the breaststroke. The junior swept both the 50 and the 100 (33.35,1:12.51) and swam a leg of the victorious 200 medley relay that included senior Kristen Michaelson, Dalton, and sophomore Kate Quick (1:56.94). Quick was also a double winner, snaring the 50 freestyle and the 200 IM (26.22, 2:27.78). And sophomore Shannon Clare swept the 50 and 100 backstrokes (29.68, 1:06.46). Junior Megan Hughes won both diving events easily, and senior Valerie Gude collected a victory , as she raced away with a 2:14.88 200 butterfly win.

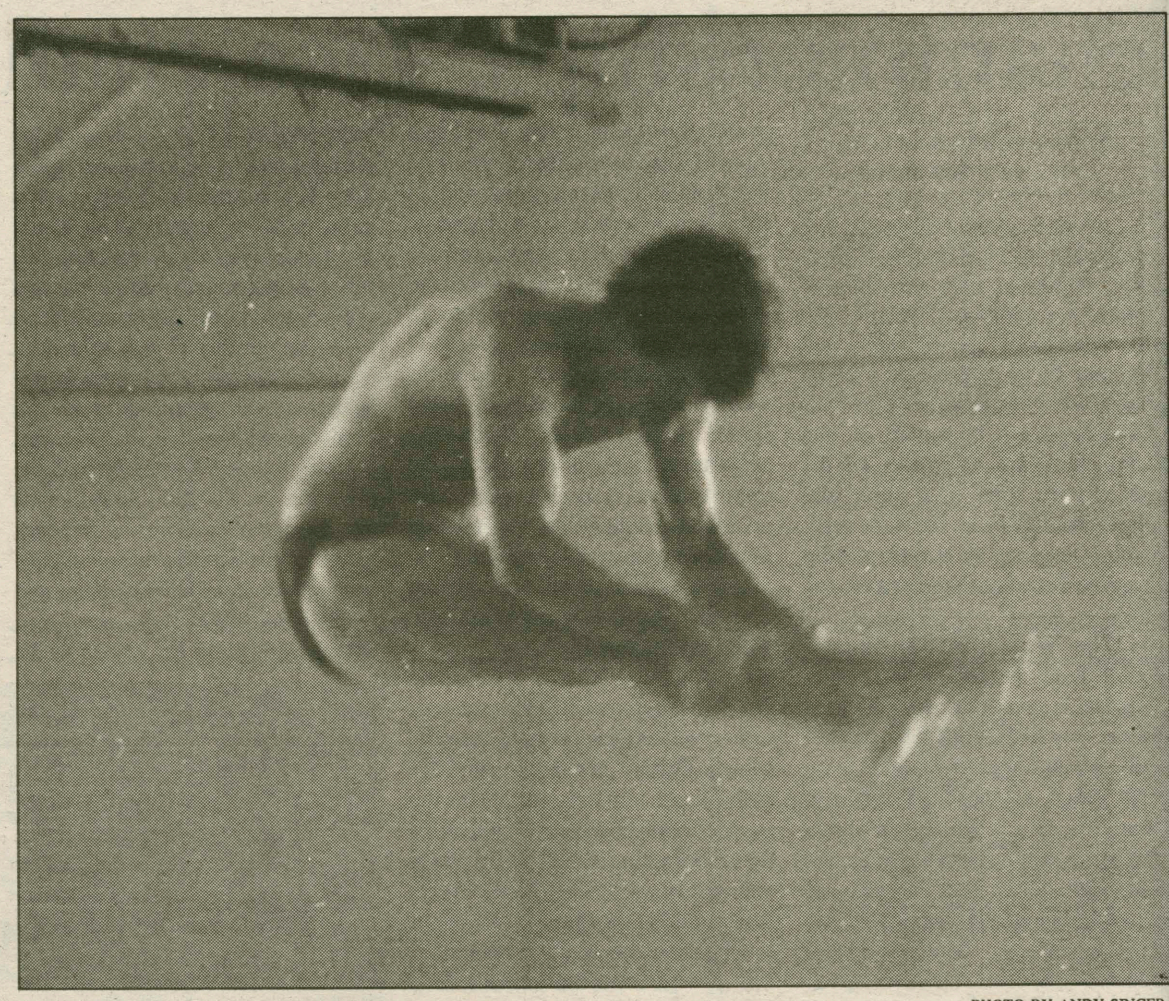
The relatively close score of 142-118 does not tell the complete dominance the Continentals displayed at this meet. Four victories were not factored into the final tally because the swimmers were swimming for exhibition, along with three second place finishes. The big Blue will ride this momentum into their home pool, as they host the State Championships February 18-20.

The men's final score of 86-71 was even less indicative of their meet, as the hosts did not score a single point in the second half of the meet because they chose to swim for exhibition. Again, it was the role players that had their chance to shine, heightening expectations for the Continentals for their Championships in three weeks.

Although it seemed as if Jason Haas and Scott Henry were diving well, no one seemed to notice exactly how well. In fact, the two aerial acrobatics each put together the best list in Hamilton College history, with Haas breaking the school record on the 1-meter springboard, and Henry soaring to a new mark off of the 3-meter. The exceptional diving has placed both athletes in prime contention for a State crown. Their achievements were coupled with some other notable victories by the role players, who are now expected to score big points for the Blue.

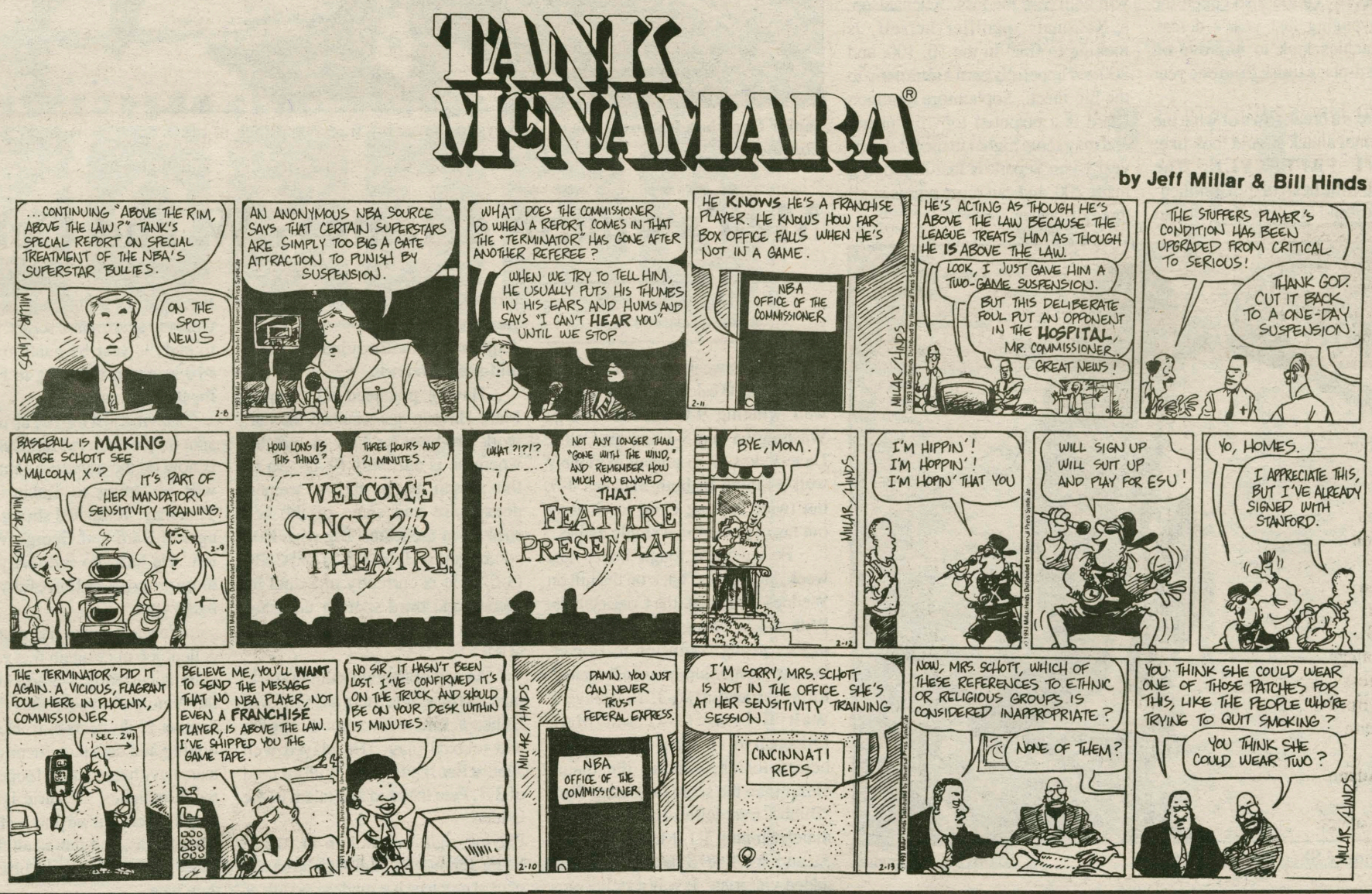
Co-captain Matt Kirby led the surge of unheralded swimmers as he continues drop time in the breaststroke events. The senior is a member of the breaststroke attack which has big plans for Rochester, site of the States, as Kirby swam to a season best 1:03.32 in the 100, to lead a 1-2-3-4-5 finish with his teammates, who all finished under 1:06.2. First-year Dan Glass nipped Kirby in the 50 (28.46-28.70), only adding to the anticipation for this strong group that includes sophomore Kyle Bolenbaugh, sophomore Sean Delany, junior Mark Callahan, and most recently senior Ziv Peled, who is known more for his backstroke prowess. Peled's 1:05.56 in the 100 ranks as the third performer on the squad this year, and his second-place finish in the 50 backstroke, behind first-year Ben Fox (27.15-27.75), makes him a flexible asset in Coach Thompson's ranks.

Junior Greg Schwartz is known more for his demanding trio of events than for sprinting, but against Vassar, the distance grunt displayed his reserve speed. Schwartz, normally found in the 1000 and 500 freestyles, and the 200 butterfly, led a 1-2 finish in the 100 butterfly in front of Delany (58.60-59.97) and then settled in to the familiar 500 for a season best 5:09.17 for the win. His distance partner Jonathon Greene also found his afterburner as the sophomore nipped classmate Andrew Miller in the 50 freestyle (23.1-23.15) after motoring to a 9:52.77 triumph in the 1000 freestyle, and then added a 55.78 scorcher in the 100 backstroke. Glass is another one of the multi-talented swimmers for the Continentals, adding the 50 fly (24.73) to his breaststroke victory.



Junior diver Jason Haas broke the 1-meter springboard record. PHOTO BY ANDY SINGER

The sprint freestyle core also had a strong day, as senior Ben Roye, sophomore Jacob Michlewicz, and first-years Nate Ayedelott and Sean Williams readied themselves for Rochester. Roye extended himself to his sprinting limits, muscling out a 1:49.53 in the 200 freestyle for the victory. Behind him was Ayedelott, who is more accustomed to the longer distances, but put together a 1:55.69 for second place. Michlewicz stroked to an impressive 48.26 in the 100 freestyle to couple with his 2:03.21 win in the 200 IM. Behind him in the 100 was Williams, who continues to do well on his return from a shoulder injury. The Rome, NY native hit a 51.49 and a 1:56.1 in the 200, good for third place.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by Jeff Millar & Bill Hinds
...CONTINUING "ABOVE THE RIM, ABOVE THE LAW?" TANK'S SPECIAL REPORT ON SPECIAL TREATMENT OF THE NBA'S SUPERSTAR BULLIES.
ON THE SPOT NEWS
AN ANONYMOUS NBA SOURCE SAYS THAT CERTAIN SUPERSTARS ARE SIMPLY TOO BIG A GATE ATTRACTION TO PUNISH BY SUSPENSION.
WHAT DOES THE COMMISSIONER DO WHEN A REPORT COMES IN THAT THE "TERMINATOR" HAS GONE AFTER ANOTHER REFEREE?
WHEN WE TRY TO TELL HIM, HE USUALLY PUTS HIS THUMBS IN HIS EARS AND HUMS AND SAYS "I CAN'T HEAR YOU" UNTIL WE STOP.
HE KNOWS HE'S A FRANCHISE PLAYER. HE KNOWS HOW FAR BOX OFFICE FALLS WHEN HE'S NOT IN A GAME.
NBA OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
HE'S ACTING AS THOUGH HE'S ABOVE THE LAW BECAUSE THE LEAGUE TREATS HIM AS THOUGH HE IS ABOVE THE LAW.
LOOK, I JUST GAVE HIM A TWO-GAME SUSPENSION.
BUT THIS DELIBERATE FOUL PUT AN OPPONENT IN THE HOSPITAL, MR. COMMISSIONER.
GREAT NEWS!
THE STUFFERS PLAYER'S CONDITION HAS BEEN UPGRADED FROM CRITICAL TO SERIOUS!
THANK GOD. CUT IT BACK TO A ONE-DAY SUSPENSION.
BASEBALL IS MAKING MARGE SCHOTT SEE "MALCOLM X"?
IT'S PART OF HER MANDATORY SENSITIVITY TRAINING.
HOW LONG IS THIS THING?
THREE HOURS AND 21 MINUTES.
WELCOME CINCY 2/3 THEATRE
WHAT?!?!?
NOT ANY LONGER THAN "GONE WITH THE WIND," AND REMEMBER HOW MUCH YOU ENJOYED THAT.
FEATURE PRESENTAT
BYE, MOM.
I'M HIPPIN'! I'M HOPPIN'! I'M HOPIN' THAT YOU
WILL SIGN UP WILL SUIT UP AND PLAY FOR ESU!
YO, HOMES.
I APPRECIATE THIS, BUT I'VE ALREADY SIGNED WITH STANFORD.
THE "TERMINATOR" DID IT AGAIN. A VICIOUS, FLAGRANT FOUL HERE IN PHOENIX, COMMISSIONER.
SEC. 24!
BELIEVE ME, YOU'LL WANT TO SEND THE MESSAGE THAT NO NBA PLAYER, NOT EVEN A FRANCHISE PLAYER, IS ABOVE THE LAW. I'VE SHIPPED YOU THE GAME TAPE.
NO SIR, IT HASN'T BEEN LOST. I'VE CONFIRMED IT'S ON THE TRUCK AND SHOULD BE ON YOUR DESK WITHIN 15 MINUTES.
DAMN. YOU JUST CAN NEVER TRUST FEDERAL EXPRESS.
NBA OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
I'M SORRY, MRS. SCHOTT IS NOT IN THE OFFICE. SHE'S AT HER SENSITIVITY TRAINING SESSION.
CINCINNATI REDS
NOW, MRS. SCHOTT, WHICH OF THESE REFERENCES TO ETHNIC OR RELIGIOUS GROUPS IS CONSIDERED INAPPROPRIATE?
NONE OF THEM?
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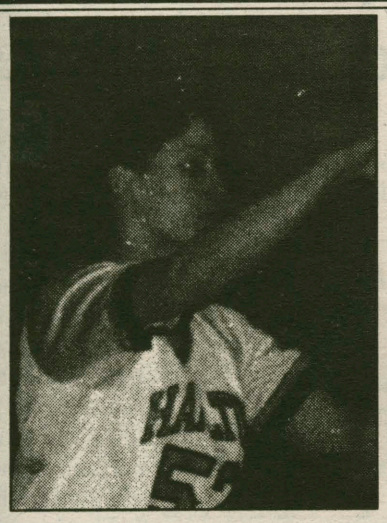


The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week

—COMPILED BY SPECTATOR SPORTS

Julie Diehl

career

	Years	Rebounds	Points
Diehl	89-93	777	1323

Senior Julie Diehl has moved into Hamilton College's record books by breaking the career rebounding record with her 758th board. The rebound came against Williams last week. The previous record had been 757, which was held by Alison O'Brien (1987-1991) Diehl is also only 43 points shy of the Hamilton career point record held by Melissa Hart (1985-1989). Hart scored 1376 in her four year career. Diehl should be able to break that record within the next three games.

Diehl is averaging 18.3 and 9.5 boards this season. She is just one of the reasons why the Conitnentals have a 17 and 3 record. Congratulations, Julie! You are the *Garden Cafe's Athlete of the Week.*

The All New Garden Café Restaurant and Strider's Lounge, located at 354A Norton Avenue at the Corner of Route 5, guarantees good food and great times. The Café is open 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Mon, Thurs-Sun. Tuesday hours are 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The Garden Cafe serves pizza, chicken wings, subs, and a late night breakfast. Hamilton students showing I.D. receive ten percent off at all times. Delivery (1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.) - Call 853-4571.

The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week receives a free pizza with the works courtesy of The Garden Café and its owner Tony Urbanowitz.

OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Scott Dorrity

The senior poured in 22 points against Rochester and was named player of the game. He becomes the 20th member of Men's Basketball's illustrious 1000 point club.

Liz Sichol

The first-year dropped 27 seconds in the 1000 freestyle to break the school record. Her 10:53.73 broke the mark of 10:56.70 set just last season.

Jason Haas and Scott Henry

The diving tandem quietly restructured both diving marks versus Vassar. Junior Haas soared to new heights on the 3-meter, and first-year Henry set the 1-meter standard.

Defensive breakdown leads to two disappointing losses for hockey

BY JIM D'ALEO '95
SPORTS EDITOR

As the end of the season gets closer for the hockey Continentals, the games mean more and more. The competition will get tougher and every game holds a great deal of importance for the playoff hunt. Coach Phil Grady and his Continentals know all of this. That's what makes the last week's performance all the more deflating. In a matter of five days, they sandwiched a 5-4 overtime win over St. Anselm between a 10-4 shellacking by Babson and a depressing 5-3 loss to Williams.

The Continentals travelled to Babson to take on the 10-4-1 school. Hamilton had beat them 4-2 in a hard fought game at home earlier in the season, but that win had long since been forgotten. Thoughts of winning this game went away fairly quickly as well as Babson jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first, never to relinquish the lead. Chris McGee for Babson ended the game with a hat trick. The only high point of the game for the Continentals was that Sean Fogerty scored his first two goals of the season. This good point was missed, however, as the goals came when the Continentals were down 3-0 and 7-1. Doug Famigletti and Rusty Feldman scored two meaningless goals at the end of the third period. Senior goaltender Grant Wood had to face the firing squad as he ended the game with 42 saves and 10 goals. Kendall Brook came in in the last part of the third period to make five saves. Grady noted that out of the ten goals that Wood gave up in the games, only one or two of them were off the first shots. The rest came off of rebounds. This is an indication of a defensive breakdown, as someone, probably the defensmen, should have been there to clear the puck away. It is also a sign that, as Grady said, the team maybe taking Wood's great season for granted.

The next afternoon, the Continentals faced off against St. Anselm's. This was a see-saw game all the way, with no team taking the lead for long. The score was 3-2 going in the third period. Eric Roberts tied it up with his 16th goal of the season at 3:56 with assists going to Doug Famigletti and Pat Hines. A little less than ten minutes later, St. Anselm's takes the one goal lead off of a goal by Steve Ervin. The game was not over yet, however, because Chris Siddon tied it up just forty seconds later. Famigletti and Carl Greenhaus got the assists. For Famigletti, the assist meant that he was now the team leader in points.

The defense provided a little rest for Grant Wood, as he only had to face 26 shots.

Tuesday night was the biggest of the three games for the Continentals. Not only is Williams one of their bigger rivals, but the game from earlier in the season where Williams came back from a two goal deficit should have been in the back of their minds. Evidently, it wasn't, however, as the Continentals gave up a three goal lead in the third period to lose the game 5-3.

The first two periods went well for the Continentals. If it weren't for the final outcome, one could say that the Continentals played well, but forty minutes does not a hockey game make. The Continentals scored two goals in the first period. In the middle portion of the first period, Lloyd Polanish scored off of a rebound that Williams goaltender Mark Siegel, the leading goalie for goal against average coming into the game with 2.65, could not control. Two minutes later, the Continentals got a strange goal that showed more luck than skill. The puck got stuck in defenseman Dirk Tenzer's skate while he was in front of the net. When Tenzer hit goalie Siegel, the puck rolled into the net. Shortly after the puck rolled in, Tenzer and Siegel knocked the net off its moorings. The referees ruled it a goal and the Continentals were up 2-0. The second period was fairly quiet until 14:53, when Eric Roberts passed the puck to the middle, where a streaking Doug Famigletti broke through two checks to put in the Continentals third goal. The goal was Famigletti's fourteenth and his thirtieth point of the season. The second period ended with the Continentals up 3-0. It wouldn't be until the third that the bottom would fall out.

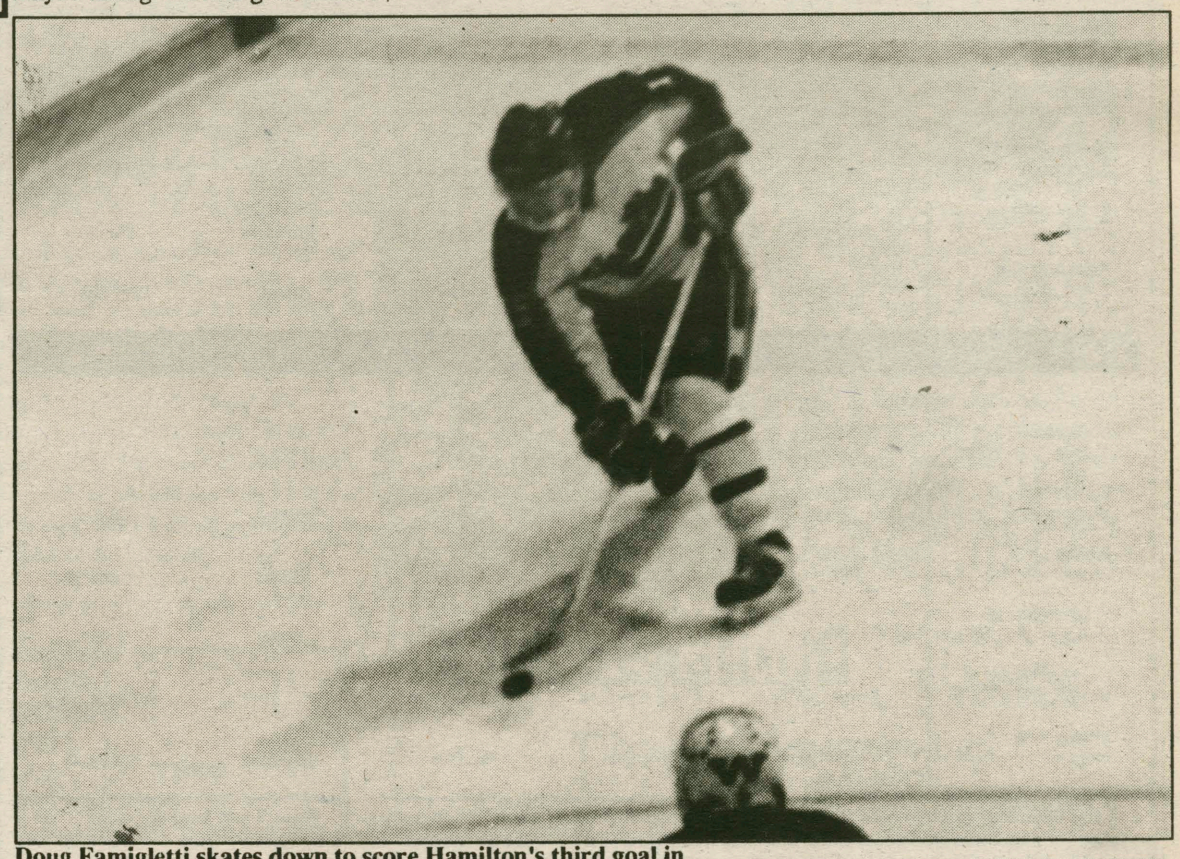
Five goals, one an empty netter at the end of the game, in the last period gave Williams the come from behind victory. The fans were more than a little shell shocked after the Ephmen offensive display. Grady said that the Continentals "had composure and forechecked well in the first two periods," but when the third period came around, they "got a little anxious and hesitant." He also said that the team didn't stick to the original game plan of working the puck behind the net that gave them three goals in the first two periods. The forward began to follow the puck and the defensemen began to fade into the zone, which allowed the Williams forwards to work the puck in easier. The bottom line is that no matter what happened, there was a visible difference in how the Continentals were playing in the third period and that difference cost them the game.

The 11-7-1 Continentals take on Bowdoin and Colby this weekend at home. The most recent standings for the ECACs came out before the Williams game, but at that point, the Continentals were ranked in fifth with the top eight teams go to the playoffs. While the competition is very close, the Continentals could virtually assure themselves of a playoff spot by winning both games this weekend.

Division III
ECAC Eastern Conference
Men's Ice Hockey Standings

Team	Conference W-L--T	All W-L-T
Middlebury	14-1-2	14-2-2
UConn	12-3-0	15-3-1
Babson	12-4-1	12-4-1
Williams	11-5-0	11-5-0
Hamilton	**10-6-1**	**11-6-1**
AIC	9-6-3	11-7-3
Bowdoin	9-6-1	9-6-1
Norwich	8-8-0	9-8-0
Salem St.	7-4-0	12-6-0
N.E. College	7-6-2	10-6-2
Holy Cross	6-9-0	6-12-0
UMass-Boston	6-10-0	7-11-0
St. Anselm	5-12-0	5-12-0
Colby	4-12-1	5-12-1
North Adams	4-9-0	7-10-0
Trinity	3-8-2	5-8-2
Conn. College	3-9-1	6-9-1
Amherst	1-8-1	8-8-1

Records as of Tuesday. The top eight teams go to the playoffs.



Doug Famigletti skates down to score Hamilton's third goal in Hamilton's 5-3 loss to Williams.

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This Week in Hamilton Sports

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Men's Hockey	Bowdoin 7:30	Colby 3:00			R.I.T. 7:30		
Men's Basketball		Union 8:00					
Women's Basketball					Albany 7:00		Binghamton 7:00
Men's Squash							Univ. of Rochester 4:00
Women's Squash		Teams TBA 12:00					
Swimming							States 7:00
Track and Field	Ithaca 1:00						

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Indicates Away Game

Knicks find Bo Kimble

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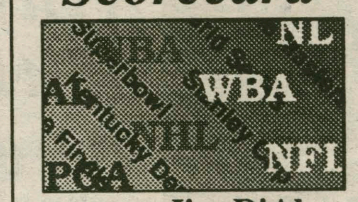

---Jim D'Aleo

NHL: Ray Bourque won the shooting accuracy contest at the NHL All-Star festivities by hitting the four targets in only four shots. Ray, you're taking all of the fun out of it. Miss a couple and at least give somebody a shot to beat you... The All-Star game this season was one of the most sickening displays of hockey I have seen in a long time. People wonder why the NHL doesn't have a network contract and this is the reason why. T.V. viewers want to see at least some kind of checking. This looked more like the Ice Capades. The goalies should be given some kind of hazard pay. 22 goals in the space of sixty minutes of "hockey" is just ridiculous... It's nice to see that even after the disgusting display of hockey shown by NBC, ABC is still willing to put five Stanley Cup playoff games on the network. It may be for only one season, but it still could get the NHL the contract that they are waiting for... The **Ottawa Senators** reached the apex of their season when they managed to get a two game winning streak. Maybe they could teach **San Jose** exactly what the game of hockey is all about... **Mike Gartner** tied **Mike Bossy** for sixth on the all-time goal list with 573. Maybe it's my own bias talking with Mike Bossy being my all-time favorite player and all, but I don't think Gartner could carry Bossy's skates. Bossy scored 573 goals with a back that was held together by **Larry Bird's** scotch tape. Gartner may be a very good player, and definitely a faster skater than Bossy was, but mention him in the same sentence with Bossy when he has four Stanley Cups under his belt.

NBA: It doesn't look like **Shaquille O'Neal** is trying to make too much of a name for himself. Breaking the backboard has been done to death. O'Neal actually broke the entire thing; the backboard, rim and the poles holding up the board. Talk about some damage... **Bernard King** signed with the **New Jersey Nets** for the rest of the season late last week. This could help the Nets if, and only if, King realizes that there is no way he is going to start. If he realizes that, then he will be a great help and could possibly rocket the Nets past the Knicks. If he doesn't, Bernard won't last long under **Chuck Daly**. In any event, the Nets still need another guy to come off the bench, with or without King... It's great to see that the NBA Hall of Fame voters ignored his injury plagued NBA career and inducted **Bill Walton** into the Hall. Some people say that Walton was one of the greatest college players of all-time. It's good to see that he's going to be recognized for it... Along with Walton, **Julius Erving** and **Dan Issel** are being inducted. These are two guys who helped keep the ABA stay in business and change pro basketball into what it is today. You could say that without these guys, especially Dr. J., there would be no **Michael Jordan**... The amazing has happened. **Bo Kimble** has actually been released from the purgatory known as the injured list. It's amazing that he could come off the list just when **Eric Anderson** had to go on. Hip flexors take a long time to heal, but they sure can heal overnight when they are needed to.

MLB: Under the one year suspension that **Marge Schott** got, she is allowed to go to the games and watch it from the executive suite for one month before being allowed to go down to the field level. What do they mean by executive suite? It sounds like a nice way of saying of nosebleeds. Actually, judging by some of the stadiums, a good punishment for any owner would be to have to sit in the upper decks in the month of April. After a month of freezing various parts of their bodies off, they won't do anything wrong again... The **Cleveland Indians** are now doing something for the betterment of the league; their getting rid of Cleveland Stadium. The infield was horrible and it didn't seat nearly enough people. With the new stadium coming in 1994 and the young talent that they have signed in to multi-year contracts, look for Cleveland to be a contender in their stadium's first year. If that happens (which I think it might), also look to see pigs flying over Laguardia.

NCAA: The NCAA is thinking of moving the Final Four for women's basketball to February in order to get a greater visibility in the television market. This might be a very good move, as there is a lot of great basketball being played by the women, but, unfortunately, it won't help. No matter how much air time women's basketball gets, a great number of people won't watch it for the express reason that they aren't going to see any of the players graduate and play in the NBA. One of the appeals of men's college basketball is finding a favorite player and watching him go through college and then the pros. You can't do that with women's basketball until they decide to try to start up another women's pro league and actually do it right this time. Judging by how the other sports are doing, however, I wouldn't bet on it.

MISCELLANEOUS: Was there anybody in the world surprised that **Riddick Bowe** beat the living daylights out of **Michael Dokes**? *USA Today* described Dokes as an abused mannequin. What did they expect? Dokes has been abused in the ring for years. The only reason he got a shot was because Bowe wanted to defend his title in February and Dokes was willing to take the beating.

Beat the "Experts"

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NBA					
New York at Chicago 2/12	Chicago	Chicago	New York	New York	New York
Indiana at Milwaukee 2/13	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	Milwaukee
Boston at San Antonio 2/13	San Antonio	San Antonio	San Antonio	San Antonio	Boston
Golden State at Sacramento 2/13	Sacramento	Golden State	Sacramento	Sacramento	Golden State
Phoenix at Seattle 2/13	Phoenix	Phoenix	Seattle	Phoenix	Phoenix
Atlanta at L.A. Lakers 2/13	L.A. Lakers	L.A. Lakers	L.A. Lakers	Atlanta	L.A. Lakers
NCAA					
Louisville at Tulane 2/11*	Louisville	Louisville	Tulane	Tulane	Tulane
Purdue at Wisconsin 2/13	Purdue	Wisconsin	Purdue	Purdue	Purdue
Pittsburgh at Illinois 2/13	Pittsburgh	Illinois	Illinois	Illinois	Pittsburgh
Wake Forest at Duke 2/13	Duke	Duke	Duke	Duke	Duke
Georgia Tech at North Carolina 2/13	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina
Michigan at Indiana 2/14	Indiana	Michigan	Indiana	Indiana	Michigan

* picked before game time

If you think that you can beat these "experts," drop us a line and we will try to get you in. Write "I can beat the experts" on a piece of paper and add your name, then fold it and address it to the sports editor at *The Spectator*. Drop it in campus mail and if you're randomly selected, you'll quickly receive a form for you to make your picks.

Women's basketball stretches winning record

Diehl breaks all-time Hamilton rebounding record in Williams win

By Ken Timm '95
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

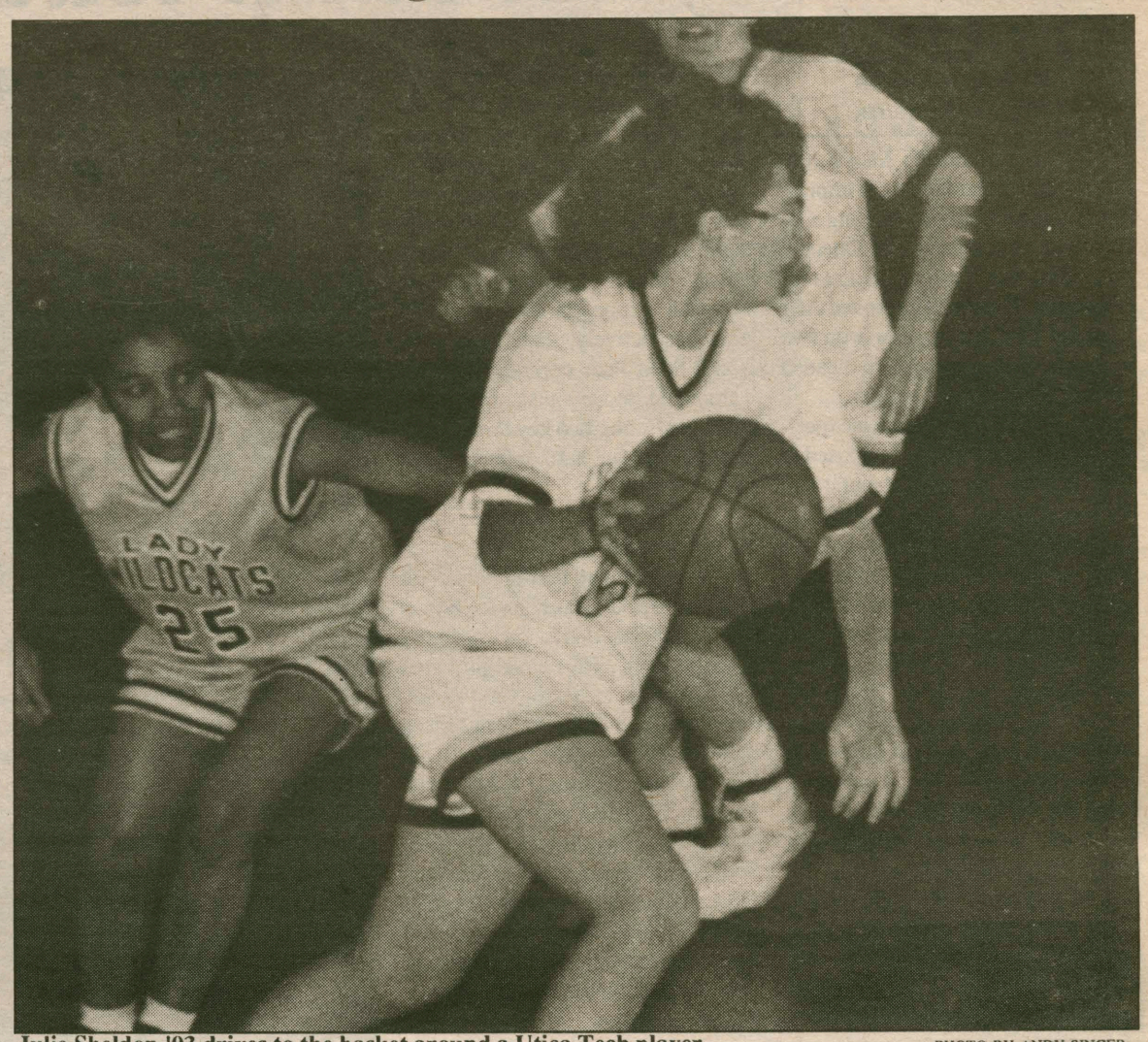
This past Saturday, the Williams women's basketball team came to town (without Santa Claus) to face the unstoppable Conitentals, whom to date carry a record of 17-3. Hamilton, expecting tough competition, knew they would have to play a strong defense, while scoring with their team leaders. Confident with the way they had been playing and big wins in previous games, the women's basketball team would prove to much to handle for the Ephmen.

Williams came out with two quick points. Hamilton soon bit back with two points of their own. Julie Diehl got two more points early in the game and drew a foul. The extra point added to the Hamilton lead, putting them ahead 7-4. This was only an indication of how things were to be in the first half. The first four minutes of the game saw the Conitentals denying Williams' points with Hamilton rebounding. Williams had trouble holding the ball, and not before long the Ephmen found themselves trailing 11-4. Julie Sheldon sunk a three pointer (one of many to come) to give Hamilton their first ten point lead at 5:04. Before the Ephmen knew what hit them, Hamilton had a lead of seventeen points (34-17) with 7:47 left in the half. With five minutes left to play, Williams began picking at the lead. Hamilton turnovers and rebound misses allowed Williams to bring the lead within nine points. Starter Lisa Eaton was injured at16:38, and this seemed to be the beginning of some Hamilton frustration. At the close of the half, Hamilton had to settle for a eight point lead (41-33).

Again Williams came out first with two points. The Hamilton women continued to appear frustrated, missing both shots and rebounds. Towards the middle of the second half (8:43), Williams had climbed within a six point deficit (50-44) and seemed determined to turn the lead around. Hamilton, also determined not fall behind, fought their way back to a ten point lead (56-46) with 7:27 left in the game. Williams playing good defense, forced many Hamilton fouls, but the women would not allow the fouls to distract them. With only one minute left in regulation time, the Continentals had held on to an eight point lead (58-50). By wearing down the clock and sinking free throws, the Hamilton women's basketball team triumphed over the Ephmen with a final score of 64-53. High scoring of fifteen points were put forth by Laurie Pordum and Julie Diehl. Pordum also had twelve rebounds. One player whose effort stood out was Susan Coole. Her fast breaks and steals most definitely added to the Hamilton victory.

A congratulations in is order for JulieDiehl. Diehl broke the school record for rebounding in this past Saturday's game.

Also this past week, the Continentals went on to beat SUNY Utica 57-55. The high scorer was Julie Sheldon with nineteen points. Diehl, always playing with force, added thirteen more rebounds to her record. In all, this past week has been a successful one for the women's basketball team and their coach. The team has four more games left, with only one home game against Albany this Tuesday.



Julie Sheldon '93 drives to the basket around a Utica Tech player. PHOTO BY ANDY SINGER

J.V. hoops tops national standings despite defeat

By Edward Bartoszewski '94
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The men's junior varsity basketball team dropped its first game of the year Monday at Hobart 85-83. The team managed to stay atop the BGED national poll as number two Schellhammer State (TX), number three Williams (MA) and number four Colby (ME) all lost. Hamilton's J.V. has traditionally had trouble with Hobart as the 60-4 record the Continentals have compiled over the last four years include s three losses to the Statesmen. The loss drops Hamilton to 12-1 on the season with four games remaining.

At Hobart, the Continentals were hampered by lazy defense and sloppy play as they fell to a 15 point deficit in the second half. Hamilton stepped it up with six minutes remaining in the game and were able to pull within three points with less than one minute to play. Hobart hit eight straight free throws down the stretch and the Continentals were not able to get any closer until a long three-pointer at the buzzer by Matt Stowell put the final tally at 85-83.

Hamilton has been paced this year by Stowell (16 ppg.), Tony Pasiak (14.6 ppg.), and Al Lewis (12 ppg.). When opponents key on these three, the Continentals are able to go to strong performers Kieren Hennigan and Jon Berkowitz in the paint, as well as three-point specialist Ian Gendreau. Hamilton looks to Art Reliford to give them leadership at the point-guard position and to a deep and powerful bench for spot minutes. The team's deep bench was shown in the 122-72 rout of Oneonta State, when sophomore Pat "Tac" Landers exploded for 17 points including two big three-pointers down the stretch that blew the game wide open. "Big Tac fools people with his unique shooting style and it opens him up for easy shots from behind the arc" stated Head Coach Ron Targolski. "He does the little things that help us win" added assistant coach Karel Jelinek.

Hamilton rounds out its home schedule with a game against arch-rival Union, Saturday.

Women's squash perfect at Mt. Holyoke

Continentals hoist their season record to 14-3

By Sam Walker '96
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

After a two week layoff, the Hamilton women's squash team travelled to Mount Holyoke last weekend for a five team jamboree. The team came out of the tournament with a perfect 4-0 record, which made them the unofficial champions of the matches. This bolsters the Continentals overall record for the season at an impressive 14-3.

Last Saturday at Holyoke, the Continentals faced Bowdoin and Colby. Against Bowdoin, the team won 7-2, and versus Bates, the team was victorious by a score of 8-1. The next day, the women played the Bates team and the host team of Mt. Holyoke. Bates posed a serious threat to the team, but the team was still able to come out with a 6-3 victory. However, Mt. Holyoke did not pose such a serious threat and the team cruised to a 8-1 victory.

The only major change in the lineup last weekend was Pepper Johnson '96 moving from the number five spot to number three. Connie Douglas '93 and Stacey Begg '94 each dropped one spot because of Johnson's move up.

All ten team members had exceptional records, but only four players came out of the weekend undefeated at 4-0. They are number two co-captain Heather Pomeroy '93, number five Stacey Begg '94, number seven Joanna Taylor '93 and Rachel Eland '95. Co-captain Kristin Morsman '93, Pepper Johnson '96, Connie Douglas '93 and Marcy Kingsbury '93 all posted 3-1 records. Lizzy Meehan '96 and Kate Vail '96 each posted 2-2 records.

The 14-3 record of the Continentals could put them in the highest division when they play in the Howe Cup at Yale on February 19-21. The Howe Cup is a tournament where all 26 Northeast Women's Squash team's play. Coach Kelly McElroy, believes "the progress of the team is unbelievable", and she is impressed that even the top players are improving. "The concentration is improved and the girls are hitting cleaner shots."

This Saturday, the women's squash team plays host to Colgate. This is the team's only home match of the season.

Quote Of The Week

"They might have to abolish boxing after I demolish him."
— Heavyweight champion Riddick Bow describing the future of boxing if he were to fight George Foreman.

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Lemmer, McCann lead twin victories

By Bob Walsh '94
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

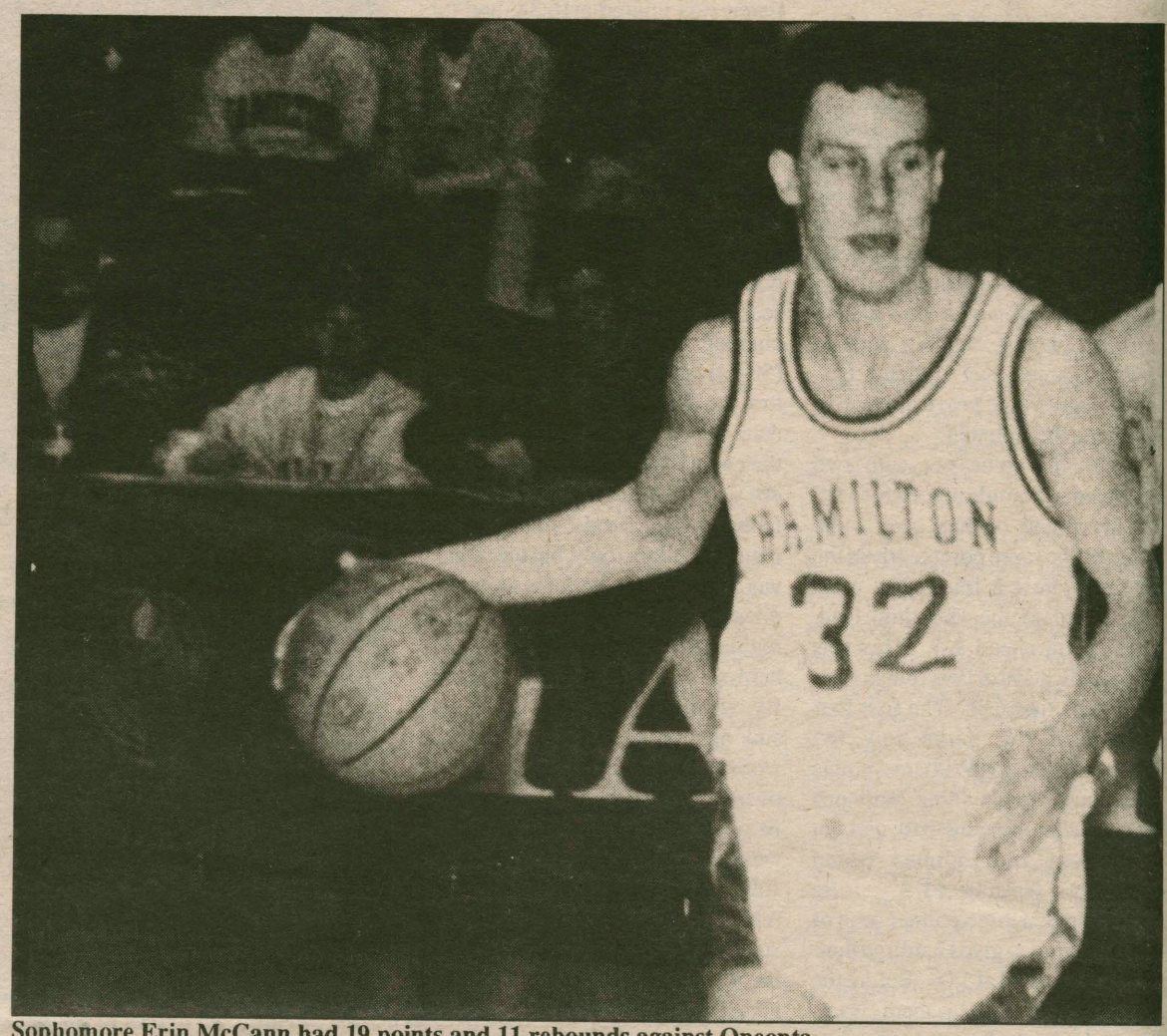
The Hamilton Men's basketball team continued their impressive midseason streak, posting victories over the Dragons of Oneonta State and the Yellow Jackets of Rochester. The squad improved their record to 15-4, having now won five in a row, and appear to be headed towards a twenty win season.

A dangerous but inexperienced Oneonta team was supposed to give Hamilton a tough test, but it was not meant to be. The Dragons did post a 6-0 lead to start the contest, but good ball movement and some key 3-pointers by Junior Jason Harris gave the Continentals a lead that they would never relinquish. Up 40-25 at the half, Hamilton was never threatened by Oneonta, cruising to a 99-74 win. Sophomore Erin McCann continued his outstanding play by corralling 11 rebounds and dropping in 19 points, which would have been 21 if he hadn't muffed an open dunk, sending the shot to midcourt. Harris chipped in 17 off of the bench, and Senior Steve Lemmer continued his drive toward All-American with another solid performance, including 22 points and 15 boards.

Against Rochester, Hamilton played their way to a lackadaisical 32-32 tie at halftime. Rochester slowed the game down, and, as has happened on occasion this season, Hamilton's defense was below average. But the Continentals seized control of the game in the second half, sparked by Scott Dorrity's 22 point effort. Steve Lemmer and Erin McCann chipped in with 17 and 15 point respectively. Freshman point guard Scott Pace continued his development into an outstanding point guard by hitting two key three pointers and working hard defensively in the 77-68 win.

So the Continentals continue to roll toward the ECACs, which barring a letdown, they should enter at 20-4. The key has been the lineup change that inserted Jason Harris and Chris Harper. Harris has provided solid defense, leadership and steady scoring (15 points per game as a starter) and Harper has given the team size and much needed help on the boards. Erin McCann has excelled now that he has been moved to the small forward spot, finally giving the team consistent performances. Scott Dorrity, who joined the thousand point club against Rochester, has been able to spark the team with his scoring off the bench.

The Continentals continue their run Saturday night against Union.



Sophomore Erin McCann had 19 points and 11 rebounds against Oneonta. PHOTO BY ANDY SINGER

Swim teams trounce hapless Vassar

Continentals rewrite record books in romp

By Marty Reichgott '95
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Chalk up a win for the role players, and just in time. Versus Vassar, it was the *rest* of the team, not the superstars, that led the Continentals in a complete drubbing of the defenseless Brewers, setting the table for a truly team effort at the respective State Championships. The mismatches were so vast that the women swam the final four events for exhibition, not scoring any points, and the men stopped tallying after just six events, before the midway point of the meet!

The women Continentals were led by vastly improved Liz Sichol, who is just tapping into her unexplored potential. The first-year led the 1000 freestyle from the first lap and broke the school record by almost three seconds in a blistering 10:53.73, dropping 27 seconds from her time just a week earlier. She added a second victory in the 500 freestyle with a 5:23.45-5:36.76 dismantling of the field, and swam third on the final 200 freestyle relay that clocked a fast 1:47.55. Sichol leads the first-year attack into States that includes Stephanie Reynolds, Lynn Separk, Laura Brereton, Anne Griffen, and newly joined diver Betsy Knice.

Reynolds is another unsung team member, who broke out against Vassar for her best meet of the season. The quiet sprinter from Queensbury, NY routed the field by *ten seconds* in the 100 freestyle (1:00.72), and then grabbed second place in the 50 freestyle (27.41) and anchored the second place 200 medley relay (2:00.93). Brereton and Separk both had strong performances as Brereton placed second in both the 1000 freestyle (11:35.51) and the 200 IM (2:32.62), and Separk grabbed second and third, respectively, in the 100 and 50 backstrokes (1:09.1, 31.57). Knice, diving in only her third meet of the season, placed second on the 1-meter springboard.

Of course the stars did come out to shine, as Patricia Wojcik, Kate Quick, Shannon Clare, and Megan Hughes each turned in multiple victory performances. Wojcik, who returned from a semester abroad, has

*Please see **Swimming** on page 24.*

First-year Liz Sichol had a career day vs. Vassar that included a new school record in the 1000 freestyle. PHOTO BY ANDY SINGER

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